Falcon FW re Roger Cohen Collection 10/29/91

Neat die states

94 3a no bulge
94 5a doubled obverse VG only know of three with dash
94 6a cc5o16 errors marks on head double brockage off center? Do you agree
94.9 Red unc very late state - latest we had ever seen
95.1 Broaston - thin lettered
2b ex Eaton Dupont → upgrade
2a 63 FK not in Roger's section
TAKE MINE
2a Roger's as made, clip out of planchet
→ 93.4 dropped lamination
95 4's both errors, but lots of money
95 6b real heavy
97 2 errors
97 3c is FK
1800 early, rusted
03.4 DS
03.1 light planchet XF weak
.1 ex Showers some weak head, may go cheap xF weak or 30
04.5 upgrade
.7 "
04.11 He had great run of die swelling
Bob Schonwalter's is the latest (only G)
05.3 early state before bulge
06.2 couple of die states - none rare
08.2 die states 2best with rim break (Hanson has best
09.1 Take my coin to compare His is tied FK
two with rim break exist, he has both
.3 Take/compare
.5 " " are (his low grade) double rim breaks

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1810 Stars crossed on left (normally on right)
1811.1 His two-star break is best (of 5/6 total)
.1 4-star is better than mine, but not by much
.2 die states - do I like?
1825.1 RC is best JRM disagrees
26.2 Compare mine to two best
Is the one with spots a pf?
Only 6 2 star breaks known, This is slightly the latest die state
40.1 Beautiful red (mine 62)
couple of circulated proofs
57 bus. strike dies - is it a pf. [I passed on it when WKR had it]
4 listings in Br. 3 are mine, this is 4th
Inspect very carefully

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up until midnight Eastern Time

c/f Cohen, Debbie

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September 9, 1991

Mr. Frank Wilkinson
410½ North 24th
Lafayette, IN 47904

Dear Frank:

I saw the enclosed article in The Economist which discusses mitochondria and mtDNA. If you didn't see it, you might be interested in the article.

Shortly after Roger died, you mentioned to me over the telephone one time a number of Roger's coins that you thought would be an upgrade for my collection. I have kept those notes and would like to talk to you sometime to make sure that it is still an accurate and complete list. Obviously, there are some coins that will need to be compared side by side to see which is better.

Another thing that I am doing is going through my collection to do a more thorough description of my die states. Then, I will have to decide which varieties I want to collect by die state. Roger's collection will obviously be a unique opportunity to enhance anyone's die state collections.

I am planning to go out to Superior, probably early in November, to look at the auction lots carefully and to compare some of my coins. Then, of course, I will be back out there in January for the auction. Are you planning to go out for the sale or any time before then? If so, we can talk about coordinating our observations on some of the coins.

Superior has sent me a copy of the work that you and Mike Packard did on Roger's collection. It is amazingly detailed and thorough. I hope the die state information finds its way into the catalogue undiminished. They will probably condense your description of the nicks and scratches, etc.

I am planning to call Debbie Cohen sometime to talk about Roger's notes and records, etc. I will suggest to her that she not throw anything away. Obviously, whatever she wants to keep as a momento should have the highest priority. After that I would be glad to buy from her, at something higher than a fair price, whatever she does not want to keep for herself or the children. By the way, if that happens, I would certainly be happy to let you have any items that were of particular interest to you either in original form or copies.

I hope everything is going well with you this fall.

Sincerely,

Tett

R. Tettenhorst

FOL Jan. 1991

October 8, 1990 - Frank Wilkinson's recommendation's as to the Roger Cohen coins BE should buy when they come up for sale (see front AND back for BE's notes).

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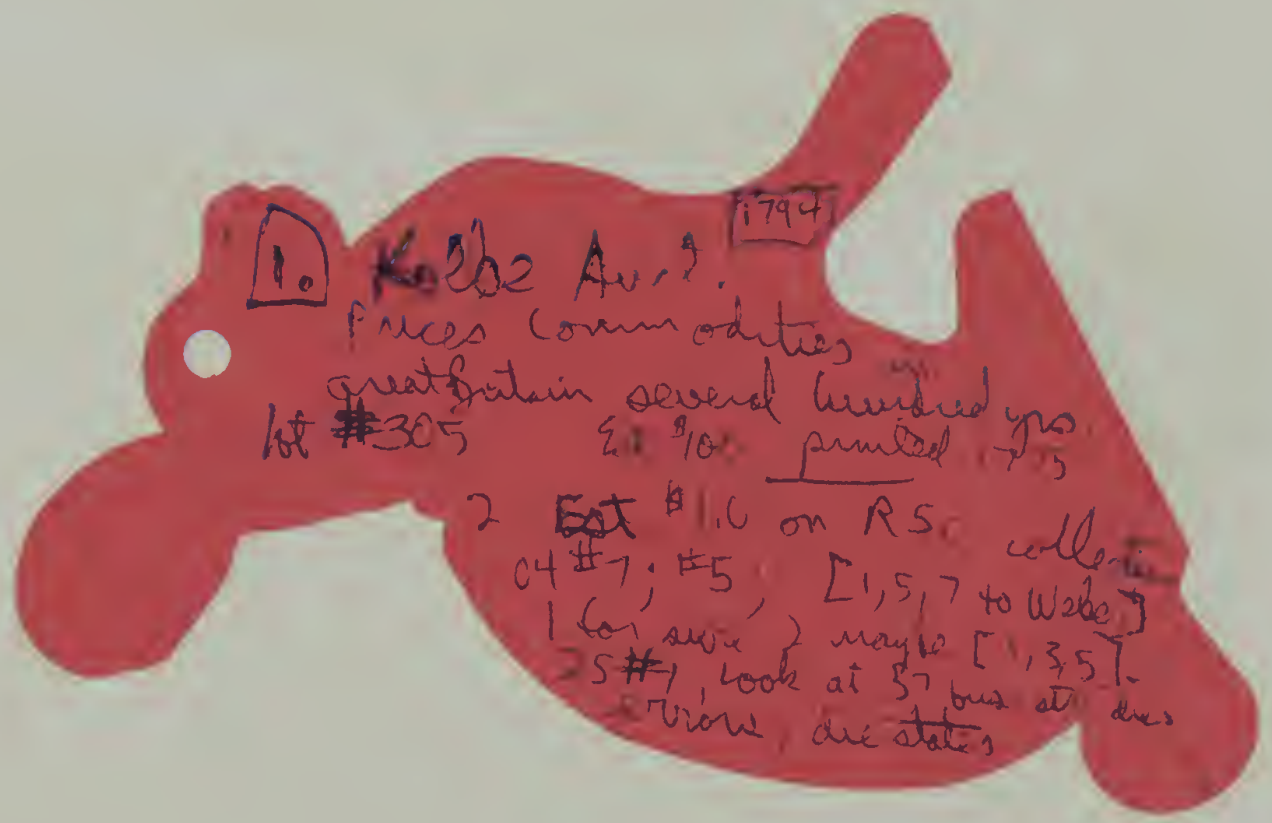
BE noted 1-23-91



Best coin in CC — Roger Conger — Worst coin in CC

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VARIETY		CCT	RSC	CCB	WL	JR2	RWL	JL	OC	AC2	NJC	SAM	FHB
1793	1	60 65	40	40	40	12	40	20	40	30		15	
	2	60 55	35	40	25	12	20	20	12	40	6	8	4
	3	63 63	20	40	45	15	12	20	40	15		5	10
	4	63 62	50	40	40	15	15	20		30		3	6
1794	1A	60 60	35	40	45	30	30	30	45	20	8	10	50
	1B	30	20	2 84000	7		3			12			
	2A	50	50	40	40	25	55	30	12	25	25	15	30
	2B	40	25	4 34000	40			3			6		
	3A	55	55	20	12	20	8	10	8	12	30	15	10
	3B	15		8 M 42000+									
	4A	60	60	45	40	35	20	20	20	20	40	30	10
	4B	15		10 M	8	2500 E					8		
	5A	60	55 40	30	25	25	15	25	30	20	30	12	12
	5B	35		35 M	103500 E								
	6A	15	20	15	8	4	4	12	8	10	10	6	4
	6B	15		15 M	5,000								
	7	67	67	40	15	12	4	8	5	10	15	15	
	8	45	35	15	12	12	15	20	8	20	20	10	10
	9	63 63	60	50	45	45	20	15	30	30	10	6	20
1795	1	65	65	30	50	40	20	50	5	35	20	10	20
	2A	58	52	40	30	45	20	30	5	15	10		15
	2B	60	20	8	7	7500		7	3	8	7	4	
	3	35	30	15	12	4	6	20	8	8	8	6	15
	4	60	58	50	40	20	20	35	12	15	10	20	45
	5A	60	60	35	40	35	50	20	12	12	15	12	15
	5B	65	50	20	30	25	20	25	5	12	10	8	15
	6A	65	65	40	40	50	30	20	20	45	20	8	20
	6B	30	35	15	6	6		10	3	6	8	10	4
1796	1	63	60	8	7								
	2	63	63	4	35	40	3	6	12	8	20		3
1797	1	63	60	55	50	40	25	30	50	35	15	12	30
	2	63	65	35	30	30	30	20	12	25	20	15	10
	3A	45	45	35	25	25	3	10	12	4	15	10	6
	3B	40	30	15	15	12	20	12	12	5	8	15	3
	3C	10	10	8	1					7	4		
1800	1	67	65	63	60	63	50	60	50	40	40	25	30
1802	1	15	20	6	8	4	15	7	8	8	10		
	2	30	30	30	20	20	25	12	12	8	10	8	12
1803	1	65	60	45	55	45	55	20	30	50	15	20	30
	2	45	45	25	15	35	10	8	20	7	5	8	7
	3	65	65	60	55	55	55	30	25	30	60	30	30
	4	60	58	45	35	40	30	12	35	25	10	25	35
1804	1	60	60	55	35	30	20	25	20	20	40	35	20
	2	15	12	6	2	4							
	4	35	45	15	15	20	10	15	20	12	12	3	10
	5	60	60	40	35	40	30	30	12	60	20	40	25
	6	60	62	60	55	50	50	50	40	55	20	25	40
	7	50	40	32	20	20	22	50	15	12	20	30	15
	8	65	62	55	50	55	40	30	40	40	30	25	40
	9	65	63	55	55	50	40	45	35	25	30	20	40
	10	65	65	60	55	63	40	40	40	25	55	40	20
	11	60	60	40	40	35	30	30	20	30	15	30	30
	12	65	65	60	55	63	55	55	40	45	60	30	30
	13	63	65	62 65	60	63	55	35	45	20	25	40	30

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VARIETY		CCT	RSC	CCB	WL	JR2	RWL	JL	OC	AC2	NJC	SAM	FHB
1805	1	63	63	60	60	55	50	50	20	35	15	50	30
	2	35	20	15	10	4	8	12	3	6	15	3	10
	3	35	30	25	15	8	20	7	12	8	8	15	10
	4	65	65	60	50	50	50	55	45	45	30	25	40
1806	1	67	65	60	60	63	60	50	60	60	30	40	50
	2	60	55	45	50	55	40	25	20	40	8	25	30
	3	15	10	8	7	4	10	5	3	7		3	
	4	67	67	65	60	65	60	55	60	35	45	45	30
1807	1	60	63	55	60	63	50	50	30	45	40	30	30
1808	1	30	30	4	3								
	2	63	63	40	30	25	30	25	40	15	10	15	10
	3	60	62	60	60	65	15	55	25	50	12	12	25
1809	1	35	35	32	10	25	25	7	8	10			6
	2	63	55	40	50	60	45	30	20	12	40	8	30
	3	65	65	65	60	63	60	55	40	35	55	55	45
	4	65	65	60	60	63	60	30	30	30	50	45	20
	5	65	65	65	60	55	45	35	45	15	50	45	50
	6	65	62	60	60	60	60	55	50	15	30	55	30
1810	1	65	65	60	60	58	40	50	40	50	20	25	20
1811	1	67	67	45	50	40	45	35	12	35	45	12	15
	2	63	60	40	40	50	50	10	20	15	30	20	6
1825	1	65	65	60	50	58	55	50	25	45	55	55	30
	2	67	67	60	60	63	60	55	40	45	60	50	30
1826	1	65	P	65	60	60	65	65	60	60	50	55	55
	2	60	55	55	50	45	45	45	60	45	40	45	30
1828	1	65	65	60	60	60	60	60	40	60	40	55	55
	2	65	65	60	60	65	50	50	50	45	40	40	50
	3	65	67	65	60	63	60	60	50	50	55	60	50
1829	1	65	P	65	65	60	65	55	55	50	45	60	50
1831	1	50	P	40	40	30	50	50	25	30	55	20	
1832	1	60	62	60	60	65	65	60	60	12	60	50	35
	2	65	P	65	65	60	65	60	40	30	35	25	40
	3	65		65	62	60	65	60	45	50	50	20	55
1833	1	65	P	65	65	60	65	65	60	50	30	65	55
1834	1	65	P,67	65	60	65	65	60	60	60	40	45	40
1835	1	65	67	65	60	65	65	60	60	40	60	40	40
	2	60	P,65	60	60	63	60	63	60	35	50	50	40
1849	1	63		60	60	63	65	50	50	50	50	60	45
1850	1	65	P	65	62	60	63	50	63	60	50	40	60
1851	1	70	P	70	62	60	63	65	55	60	40	45	65
1853	1	65		65	62	60	65	60	60	60	63	40	60
1854	1	65	P	65	63	60	65	65	63	60	55	55	50
1855	1	70	P	70	65	60	65	60	63	60	45	40	40
1856	1	70	P	70	65	60	65	60	63	50	50	40	40
1857	1	70	P	70	60	60	65	65	55	60	50	45	40

	CCT	RSC	CCB	WL	JR2	RWL	JL	OC	AC2	NJC	SAM	FHB
TOTAL V	99	99	98	91	87	90	90	89	89	83	84	73
TOTAL G	5444	4302	3878	3979	3360	3067	2755	2682	2642	2384	2279	2852
% V	100	100	99	92	88	91	91	90	90	84	85	74
% G	100	79	71	73	62	56	51	49	49	44	42	52
SCORE	100	90	85	83	75	74	71	70	69	64	63	63
%_COND	100	79	71	77	66	59	53	52	51	49	46	64

TOTAL V=TOTAL VARIEITIES TOTAL G=SUM OF GRADES
% V=(TOTAL VARIETIES/99)*100 % G=(TOTAL G)/(TOTAL G FOR CC1)*100
SCORE=(%V+%G)/2 %C=(TOTAL_G)/(SUM OF CC1 FOR MATCHING VARIETIES)*100

-227 (Excl 98's) / 5294 = 95.7 % COND

The tab for X-mas mailing is $22.00

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 1

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SUPERB CONDITION CENSUS 1793 COHEN-1
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. ~~I above forecurl:~~ Even - Bustline, 16 leav-
GRADE_QUAL: EF on right branch ~~period after A3, U touches ribbon. 6.88 grams.~~ 10.8 grams
GRADE_NO: 40 sloppy
DESCRIP: Choice chocolate brown color on ~~either~~ both sides side. Boldly struck with details of a ~~notch higher grade,~~ but reduced because of a small rim mark below the bust tip. The reverse die had started to buckle at the center when this one was coined, making HALF CENT weak. ~~On balance, this coin is one of the choicest 1793 Half Cents we have seen, lovely color, smooth surfaces, and all devices legible. Truly a glorious example of our first die pairing of Half Cents. In the Condition Census, this coin rates as number 1, tied with one other, for the best known of this die pairing.~~ There is the seventh finest known
DIE_STATE: Early die state, after the central reverse began to buckle, but before the rim break appears at F AME.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from ~~Ricky~~ Richard Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-325
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

In the Condition Census this coin is tied with one other for seventh finest known

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 2

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. ~~F above forearm, period after A2, u touches ribbon~~ 6.55 grams. Another 6.11 grams
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Here is an ~~excellent~~ reasonable example of the late reverse die state with the FRAME rim break. HALF CENT is nearly obliterated from the central reverse die sinking and wear. Choice chocolate brown color with surfaces that appear smooth to the naked eye, but with faint porosity under magnification. Struck slightly off center on the obverse, better on the reverse. Plated in Roger Cohen's <MI>American Half Cents<M> second edition. One of the better coins seen of this rare late die state.
DIE STATE: Reverse rim break at FRAME and die sinking on HALF CENT which is very faint.
PEDIGREE: Roger Cohen kept an notes on where he purchased coins from [illegible] Mary [illegible] fact he kept [illegible] half cents in envelopes [illegible] It is known that Roger Cohen [illegible] "[illegible]" and these were recorded in Roger's notes of his purchases. Mike Packard and Frank Atkinson [illegible] where [illegible] and were able to track down a number of coins [illegible] which [illegible] not all were [illegible]
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-326
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 3

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. About Good 3. ~~1 above forecurl, period after AS, U touches ribbon. 6.61 grams.~~ 1620 grains
GRADE QUAL: AG
GRADE NO: 3
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but dark and with moderate, uniform porosity. Dark verdigris on ~~either side~~, although most of the major devices are visible. The date is weak, as is the central reverse, characteristic of this variety. Trivial reverse marks are noted above UNITED, including a small ding. Scattered marks about the reverse, typical for the grade, ~~and early copper.~~
DIE STATE: ~~Middle~~ Early die state, before the rim break appeared.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-327
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 4

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. ~~T above forecurl. AS touches ribbon.~~ 6.39 grams. Ex: Bob Lee. ~~AS~~ right [illegible]
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, with lighter devices on ~~either side~~ both sides. Light porosity visible with a glass, although the coin is decidedly better than the majority seen of this variety. ~~Trivial~~ Rim mark above the T on the obverse, while the reverse is clean save for minute scratches near the center. Not in the Condition Census, but ~~choice enough to warrant a strong price.~~ Still on the [illegible] examples of the variety [illegible]
DIE_STATE: is difficult to find nice.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier from Jon Hanson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Jon Hanson - Ray D. Munde
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-328
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 5

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 3. Fine 15. ~~5 above forecurl; As touches~~ 15 [illegible] the right bra ~~stem.~~ 6.75 grams. 1042 [illegible]
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 15
DESCRIP: Dark brown on the obverse, slightly lighter on the reverse. Details of a higher grade coin, but both sides have ~~moderate~~ [illegible] porosity ~~and pitting~~. The pitting is heaviest at LIBERTY, the cap and the date, as well as S2 to F1. A small planchet void above F1 caused by heavy corrosion. ~~On balance, a strong coin for the grade but with the all too often seen pitting.~~ of severe
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-329
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 4

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: REMARKABLE DELAMINATED 1793 COHEN-4
DATE: 1793
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. ~~A above Forecast~~ Hackett Brot Lines, 13 leaves on the left ~~U and A3 distant from ribbon ends. 6.36 grams.~~ 10.2 grams brown
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 50
DESCRIP: This Half Cent is a beautiful tan with pristine, glossy surfaces. However, there is a large plachet strip which has delaminated from the obverse from the base of the coin to the top. Another area on the obverse appears to be weak and ready to peel off from the L to the rim before the tip of the bust, but remains attached. Half the date and ERTY, as well as everything in between are weakly visible because of the lamination. At a glance, one would think that the coin should be significantly underweight, yet it is less than 5% 37% below other high grade coins and close to the mandated weight. Inside the lamination, there is some red coloring but it is not too distracting. Turning to the reverse, it is nearly perfect w/ lovely color and surfaces, the only detractions requiring a glass to discern. A faint toning spot above E2 as well as a very faint scratch between E2 and S3. Plated (obverse only) in the second edition of Cohen's Half Cent book.
Curiously, a number of planchets from this variety exhibit laminations, apparently the copper supply received improper casting and rolling before coining. Shrinkage
DIE STATE: This coin has striking characteristics and color that would easily put it within ~~the top 10 coins for~~ the variety. Yet the planchet defect is so massive that most viewers either think it destroys the coin's desirability or gives it a great deal of "character". We don't believe many will take a middle ground stance. Roger thought the coin was a fascinating piece with an abundance of character. In fact, it was one of the most prized Half Cents in his extensive collection as it so clearly testifies to the many trials and tribulations experienced by the officials and coiners of the Philadelphia Mint during its embryonic develpment. at C&E 50
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Turrini Sale, February 1972, Lot 185
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-330
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 7

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1793
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. ~~I above forecurl; U and A2 distant from ribbon ends. 6.85 grams.~~ Another: 105.7 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown with the bust lighter. Details of a higher grade, but moderate porosity reduces it to this level. A small scrape on the I of LIBERTY, another above TE on the reverse. Areas of dark red, mostly on the periphery. Well centered and a pleasing example of this scarce variety.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-331
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 8

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35 ~~Large Letters Edge. Wide date, 179 recut, pointed 9; spur at 12 on right base. 6.67 grams.~~ The High Head, Short Left Stem Large Edge Letters 102.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Choice tan with a darker streak across the lower third of the obverse and dark toning areas on the high points of the devices. On the reverse are two areas of red ~~color~~; one from S2 to AM, the other from below the CE of CENT to UN. A hidden scratch is visible before the forehead of Liberty, and about 1cm below the ~~as well as a couple of minor rim marks. Quite attractive and very close to~~ Condition Census for this variety ~~and one that would make a welcome addition to any high grade collection.~~
DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with marks visible from the neck to nose, and cap to hair, similarly in the wreath on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: E
OWNER_NO: 2-332
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 9

DENOM:
TYPE: Second Finest Known 1794 Cent
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1b. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. ~~Wide date, 179 recut, pointed 9: spur below the right foot of A2. Small edge letters. 5.83 grams.~~ Thick Head, short Left Stem. Small Edge Letters. 90.0 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but moderately porous and now a dark brown ~~color~~. The 17 in date are weak, while the 94 are strong, with all recutting visible. While this variety is often found with the large edge letters, it is quite rare with the small edge letters (note the distance between the RE of HUNDRED, it is close on large letter coins, ~~quite distant~~ on small letter examples). In other 1794 varieties, the small letter edges are more common. A faint scratch between NI and another across E2 to below S2. ~~In summary, a choice example of this very rare subvariety that should command a substantial premium.~~ Clash marks on the obverse and reverse are weakly visible.

Spacing of the letters CC2

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-333
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 10

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. 1 high and distant, ~~wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right. 6.75 grams.~~ Small edge letters. 10.42 grains
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: A choice light to medium brown ~~color that is so seldom encountered on these early Half Cents.~~ Trivial light circulation marks, ~~are visible, mostly with a glass, but not enough to diminish the ample appeal of this example.~~ Heavy clash marks visible on the obverse, and plated in Cohen's second edition of his book as the "Clashed Die" for the variety. ~~Really choice and a very desirable example of this variety and date in general. It is the 5th coin listed in the Condition Census, and therefore worth a substantial premium.~~
DIE_STATE: Struck from heavily clashed dies with much of the wreath visible before Liberty's face and neck.
PEDIGREE: ~~Possibly purchased from Julian Leidman~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: D
OWNER_NO: 2-134
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 11

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. ~~1 high and distant, wholly~~ Arrhe
~~right of hair. S2 distant and leans right. Small edge~~
~~letters. 6.42 grams~~ 99.1% gms
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30 adam
DESCRIP: Glossy surfaces and medium brown color throughout. There is an unusual planchet lamination on the reverse; it begins below T4 in the wreath, travels upward diagonally to A4, then spreads to encompass STAT to the rim. Although extensive, loss of device detail is minimal. Another tiny lamination on and near the 1 of the fraction.
DIE STATE: The obverse clash marks are heavy, deeper than on the preceding coin. Again, no reverse clash marks are visible. Roger once discussed this conundrum with Mike Packard as to why such heavy clash marks occurred on the obverse, yet none on the reverse die. Both noted that they had never seen clash marks on the reverse die for this variety, and that they had never seen another variety that used this obverse die either. Perhaps a new variety of 1794 is waiting to be discovered, one with prominent clash marks on the reverse. Or, possibly ~~this reverse die went each one~~ ~~hard enough to be impressed by the designs and~~ ~~repeated application of heat. Lastly, perhaps the clash~~ ~~marks were polished off the reverse, but left on the~~ ~~obverse. Whatever the solution, there is a beautiful coin,~~ ~~one that just misses being in the Condition Census and will~~ ~~certainly be a highlight in any collection.~~
PEDIGREE: Rarity 2 is in the group of 5 just below the Condition
PHOTO: Y Census
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-335
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Or possibly the reverse die outlasted enough
[illegible] that the obverse and did not receive an impression
[illegible] the obverse die [illegible] they came together

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 12

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 2 L. Fine 15. ~~1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; S2 distant and leans right. Small edge~~ Another
Letters: ~~6.15 grams~~ 94.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Details of a Very Fine 35, but extensive light porosity on both sides. Black with lighter highlights on the devices. Some lighter color noted before the face in the obverse field. A rim bump above the ER on the obverse is the only mark worthy of note.
DIE_STATE: Very early die state before the dies clashed. ~~A coin that belongs in a die state collection, as this early unclashed state is very rare~~ No
PEDIGREE: From Ray D. Monde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-336
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 1

DENOM:
TYPE: Best Part Nym of the
FEATURES: EXTREMELY RARE ~~CONDITION CENSUS~~ 1794 COHEN-2B
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Very Fine 30. 1 high and distant, ~~wholly right of hair~~ S2 distant and leans right. Large edge letters. ~~7.27 grams.~~ 112.2 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30 An absolutely superb example of the rare subvariety that
DESCRIP: ~~Here is a coin that would command attention if it were a common small edge letter example, but this ~~is a~~ large letter edge~~. Obviously, this coin is a recent appearance as it is not enumerated in Rogers' Condition Census published in 1981 with the second edition of his book.~~ On ~~balance~~, a beautiful pleasing tan with a small spot of red ~~color~~ in the center of the obverse, another tiny one above the O on the reverse. Sharp clash marks are visible from the forehead to the neck. No marks worthy of note, and ~~when one considers how rare and choice this coin is, it will certainly be one to attract the attention of knowledgeable numismatists.~~ Of the Twelve or so known, this is clearly the second finest of this sub variety, nearly all others grade ~~Good~~ or lower. ~~A wonderful opportunity for the specialist.~~ Choice Very Good
DIE STATE: Struck from a clashed obverse die, with evidence of the wreath from before Liberty's forehead to neck, as well as above and below the cap.
PEDIGREE: ~~This is one of those whose provenance is unknown, but possibly from~~ Robert Matthews 9/1984 - Discovered at Mr. Mathews' house guest, John D. Wright and Frank Wilkison
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-337
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN RECORD NO. 14

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Good 4. Another ~~1 high and distant, wholly right of hair; 62 distant and leans right. Large edge letters.~~ 6.25 grams. 96.4 grains
GRADE_QUAL: G
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A second example of this elusive sub variety. Slightly bent and with a rim bump below the curls, and a couple of digs on and behind the cap. On the reverse, especially the lower third, is weak. Nevertheless, the color is even ~~and, if you didn't purchase the previous coin, then this~~ is one of the most ~~best you will likely find.~~ attractive specimens of the low grade examples of this rare subvariety.
DIE_STATE: The clash marks are very weak on this example.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Bason from William K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNERANC: 2-338
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

CC3

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 15

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. About Good 3. ~~1 high and distant, wholly right of hair. S2 distant and leans right. Large edge letters. 6.78 grams.~~ 104.6 grains
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE_NO: 3
DESCRIP: ~~An~~ Incredibly third example of this rare sub variety. Details of Very Good 10, but reduced because of scattered pitting on ~~either side~~ both sides, heavier on the obverse. Two scratches on the obverse, one through the cap, the other on the 94 of the date to below the bust tip. The reverse has faint scratches, mostly near the center. ~~As Mike Packard described this, "there is a lot of wear on this coin". Were~~ RC-10-tie it not for the pitting, this would be one of the best known. [illegible] specimens [illegible] 10th [illegible]
DIE_STATE: Heavy clash marks from Liberty's nose to neck.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased~~ from Joe Kane by trade.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-339
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 16

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Very Fine 20. 79 close at top, 4 distant from top; ~~vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ Small edge letters. ~~6.01 grams~~ 102.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate and a trifle dull. Two small scratches in the field before Liberty's nose and minor porosity is noted on ~~the reverse.~~ ~~Struck from a rotated reverse die by about~~ 80-195 clockwise. ~~Long heralded as a rare variety, this die pairing is just about impossible to find better than very good. Clearly, this Very Fine example should circle~~ ~~[illegible] bidding, for it is well worth it.~~
DIE STATE: Clash marks are seen from the nose to neck and at the juncture of the cap and hair from the opposing wreath of the reverse die. No clash marks visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: from Knox Ivey, earlier Sam Ungar via Julian Leidman
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER:
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_TO:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Thus one is fourth known?

CC4

[illegible] Knox [illegible]

[illegible] always [illegible]

[illegible] as decission sequence C3, C5, C6 [illegible]

C5 [illegible] C3 has the bulge [illegible]

[illegible] C6 always [illegible]

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 17

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. ~~79 close at top, 1 distant from bust; vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ Small edge letters. ~~6.85 grams.~~ Another 105.7 grains
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8.19
DESCRIP: Struck slightly off center with some of the dentils missing behind and below the hair. A medium to dark brown ~~color~~ with smooth surfaces interrupted only by two tiny black spots, one before the nose, the other below the Y. On the reverse, a single light mark up from A4, as well as a group of tiny marks near U. In summary, a very select example for this grade, one which would be a highlight were it not for the prior coin.
DIE STATE: Usual Crash marks surround Liberty, none on the reverse, suggesting a second production run.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from~~ Ray D. Munde, ~~earlier~~ Hollenbeck-Kagin, 2/72.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-341
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible]

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 18

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 5. Good 6. ~~79. Close at top, 1 distant from bust; vertical leaf extends above 94, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ Small-edge letters. ~~6.68~~ grams. 103.1 grains
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A third example of this rarity; this coin has very dark brown fields with an almost matte appearance (from an even and light porosity) with glossy highlights. Roughness accounts for the weak date, as well as ITED STATES on the reverse. All else is visible, ~~making this coin quite acceptable for this seldom offered variety.~~
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Mr. Seitz
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-342
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 19

Confusion with part of large cent

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EXTREMELY RARE 1794 COHEN-3B LARGE EDGE LETTERS
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity ?. Good 6. 79 close at top, 4 distant from the bust; ~~vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ Large edge letters. ~~6.18 grams.~~ 95.4 grains
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: A nice medium brown, close to milk chocolate ~~in color~~ on ~~either side.~~ The surfaces are rough, but the porosity on the high points has been smoothed by wear. Trivial marks, one below cap and smaller ones above. On the reverse, which is uniformly porous, is a small mark above T4, another pit on the left edge of the fraction bar. However, the fact remains that this coin is the <MI>Second Finest ~~Known~~<M> of ~~this subvariety. In fact, only 3 coins are known of Cohen-3 with the large edge letters, making any appearance an event. One of the great rarities of the Half Cent Series, and certain to elicit furious bidding.~~

both die

this is known as the second finest of this subvariety

CO2

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from William Weber and earlier from Steve Fischer
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-343
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Steve Fischer - William Weber - Heritage for REC

who gave up the finest known 1794 1/2c

However, the fact remains that this coin is the second finest of the three known specimens of the subvariety. It appeared at the first auction appearance of the subvariety to be offered at auction.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 38

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. 7 high, 9 low, ~~die scratch below I, vertical leaf extends past top of 94, this leaf is one of a pair.~~ Small edge letters. 10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 35
DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces with a hint of medium brown. ~~Fair detail is very strong, which is common to this obverse~~ die. ~~No distracting marks on the obverse, the reverse with a single mark on the rim below the left ribbon end, otherwise a truly delightful coin that will no doubt be one everyone will admire.~~ Probably at the ~~low~~ end of the Condition Census for the variety, ~~rated as the twelfth best in his notes.~~
DIE STATE: Light clash marks surround Liberty, but no swelling below the curls.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from William R. Raymond, earlier Willard C. Blaisdell~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-344
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

35 with defects similar enough to lower the grade at all

Just below

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Good ~~10. 7 high, 3 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends above I4, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ Small edge letters. ~~6.80 grams.~~ Another. 1049 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: A lovely medium brown with nice surfaces, and one that would surely be choice were it not for dark encrustations about the reverse devices. Sharply struck and well centered. ~~One for the die state specialist on Liberty, and the earliest die state of the several pieces extant.~~
DIE_STATE: Struck after only light clashing on the obverse die, none seen on the reverse. No trace of the bulge below the curls.
PEDIGREE: ~~Bought to have been purchased from~~ Ricky Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-345
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 22

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. ~~2 high, 2 low, die scratch below 1; vertical leaf extends above 94, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.30 grams.~~ Another 97.2 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 I can live w. 20 nearly
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate brown with the details of Extremely Fine, but the surfaces are microscopically granular. Free of distracting marks, ~~this coin should fit the bill for a high grade type or variety collection.~~
DIE STATE: Similar die state to the first 1794 Cohen-4a listed above, with clash marks on both the obverse and reverse. No trace of the bulge yet.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Joe Flynn, earlier~~ Phillip Showers - Joe Flynn
I Doubt the Pedigree
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-346
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 23

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. ~~7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I; vertical leaf extends above T4 this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.73 grams.~~ Another 103.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown with pinkish highlights. On balance, the surfaces may have been burnished to remove some of the roughness, and now have a glossy appearance. A tiny rim mark is noted above LI, as well as a minute mark down the left side of Roger's book and the reverse was plated for Cohen-3 in the first edition.

A coin that should be examined personally.

AS: An important coin that is plated in both editions of

DIE STATE: A later die state than the previous examples, clash marks under chin, above cap and hair below. The heavy bulge extends from the I in date through the lowest curls and lower part of cap to rim. Likewise, the reverse has numerous clash marks and additional die cracks from the rim to M to leaf below. An additional crack from the rim through TE to leaf below.

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-347
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 24

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4a. Rarity 2. Very Fine-20. ~~7 high, 9 low, die scratch below I, vertical leaf extends above T4, this leaf being one of a pair. Small edge letters. 6.76 grams.~~ Another 104.3 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Medium to dark chocolate brown color and please smooth surfaces. A single rim mark is visible above B on the obverse, with another very small one just past the Y. Nothing else of consequence, ~~just pleasing surfaces, without annoying problems that so often accompany these early issues.~~
DIE_STATE: The latest die state of this group, the bulge is strong below Liberty, with a crack from the rim to lowest curl while the reverse shows very strong clash marks and the pair of cracks, one between TE (of UNITED), another through the M. ~~A worthy coin for the die state specialist to study.~~ Joseph Lapidus
? PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-348
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 25

DENOM:
TYPE: Second finest known
FEATURES: ~~SPLENDID~~ 1794 COHEN-4B WITH ~~LARGE EDGE LETTERS~~
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4b. Rarity 7. Very Good 10. 7 high, 9 low, ~~die corrosion below 1, vertical leaf extends past 14, this leaf being one of a pair.~~ <BI>Large edge letters.<B> ~~7.12 grams.~~ 109.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Choice light to medium brown ~~color,~~ evenly balanced on both sides ~~either side.~~ Although this coin has the details of Fine, numerous small rim marks are visible on ~~either side,~~ both sides reducing the grade. A tiny mark on the cap and another on the neck, the reverse clean save for a lamination hidden on the right ribbon. Tied with another for Second Finest Known of this ~~elusive~~ very rare sub variety with the large edge letters.
DIE STATE: Early on, Commodore Eaton noticed ~~that~~ most 1794 Half Cents had small edge letters, but that a few could be found with large edge letters. Not many people paid attention to the edges, and this information languished for several decades. With the recent publications on Half Cents and explosive growth of the Early American Coppers club, many people have now set to the task to further differentiate between dies with sub varieties and even multiple die states now eagerly sought ~~by regions of collectors.~~ Where this further categorization will lead is anyones guess, but with so many collectors seeking coins, it will obviously continue to grow. Please discuss the die state Certific many
PEDIGREE: Purchased from William K. Raymond, earlier Jack Beymer, Doug Robbins, and first noted in our Wolfsen Sale, Lot 524, June 1975.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Superior "Wolfsen" 61 1975, 524 — Doug Robbins - Jack Beymer — William K Raymond who recognized the "credit" value
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-349
SORT_SEQ: sub variety
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 26

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath F and left foot of A2. Small edge letters. ~~0.56 grams~~ vol. 2 pg 11
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Both sides are toned a bluish brown ~~color~~, perhaps from an ancient cleaning, otherwise recovered today. A tiny nick below the 9 serves to identify and other circulation marks are light and not worthy of note. The reverse ~~die was~~ struck ~~rotated 40<198> when this coin was impressed. Based on available records that Mr. Cohen kept, it appears that this coin just made the low end of the Condition Census, being tenth.~~ Even though this variety is comparatively common, not many are found above ~~V.F.~~ Fine, so ~~collectors had best~~ ~~specialists need to~~ acquire any nice ones that turn up. Early die state with no clash marks ~~readily apparent~~. Listed in the Mint
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's inventory.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-350
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

This specimen is the finest known of the variety CC 5a

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 27

DENOM:
TYPE: Rare Die State 1794 C-5a
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. ~~Pops of 79 close, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath E and left foot of A2. Small edge letters.~~ 6.44 grams. Another 99.4 grains both both side
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, with lighter ~~tan~~ devices on ~~either side.~~ Minor porosity ~~for the grade,~~ not really detracting for a coin of this grade. The reverse is rotated 30<198> clockwise. Well struck with all of the devices legible. Free of detracting marks.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding with clash marks visible on the obverse by neck and cap. Only three specimens with clash marks are known to the catalogue (FEW). The other two are choice very fine.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-351
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 28

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FINEST KNOWN 1794 COHEN-5B, LARGE EDGE LETTERS
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1794. Cohen-5b. Rarity 7. Very Fine 35. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; berries beneath F and left leg of A2. <BI>Large edge letters.<B> ~~6.85 grams~~ 105.7 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Details of Extremely Fine, but cleaned at one time and now retoning to a more natural olive tan. Rotated 40<198> on the reverse, common to this variety. A tiny planchet lamination just above the pole at the rim, another near lowest curl. Similarly, a light lamination above the tail of the right ribbon end. On balance, the surfaces show few circulation marks and aside from the cleaning, reveal little evidence of handling.
When Roger issued his Second Edition in 1981, he knew of only this coin with the Large Edge Letters. Since then, three others have turned up, all in lower grades. This coin remains the Finest Known of this sub variety.
This was one of the final two coins Roger needed to complete his business strike collection of Half Cents by die variety (including the sub varieties with various edge letters). Both coins (the other is the unique 1794 Cohen-6b) were acquired from William R. Weber in an earth shaking trade that occurred in October of 1988, about two years before Roger's death. As a result of this trade, Roger completed his Half Cent variety set, the first person to complete this series, with great satisfaction and happiness.
DIE_STATE: Early die state
PEDIGREE: Purchased (in trade) from William R. Weber, earlier William K. Raymond, c. David Bowers, Stack's, Lot 61, October 1967
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Stack's Jan 10/1967, lot 61 - Bright and Ruddy, Stack's 1975 MN
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER_NO: 2-352 William K. Raymond - he identified the subvariety - Weber
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT: Weber - RSC 10/1989 by trade
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 29

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 5. Very Good 10. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. Small edge letters. ~~6.04 grams.~~
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Details of Very Fine but light porosity on the obverse and heavier on the reverse reduce the grade. Nevertheless, this example is still the fifth Finest Known in ~~Roger~~'s census and nearly unobtainable finer. Dark brown on the obverse, dull and a shade darker on the reverse. Scattered marks on the obverse, and identifiable by two reeding marks on Liberty's forehead. There are two scratches on the reverse, one from above UNI to rim, the other fainter one above AMER. ~~Seldom offered in any grade, so don't let this opportunity pass you by while your attention is focused on the price and following 10.~~
DIE STATE: ~~Struck after Cohen 3 and Cohen 5 as the obverse clash marks are stronger on this coin.~~
PEDIGREE: Thought to have been purchased from Rick Gross, Garfield dealer named Isaacs.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-353
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Contrary will

132 grains

the condition

No

Isaacs Richard Gross

The marks on the head are likely from the dentical

from a double strike blockage

FILE: CO.T RECORD NO: 30

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE UNIQUE LARGE EDGE LETTERS 1794 COHEN-6B
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6b. Rarity 8. <B>UNIQUE<B> Fine 12. 79 close at top, 4 distant from bust; vertical pair of leaves below T4. Large edge letters. 6.69 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Probably cleaned with resulting hairlines on ~~either side, but this appears ancient in its origin,~~ and now the coin is toned a pleasant medium brown color. Clean rims and surfaces, but here are a few identifing marks to keep the pedigrees straight: ~~the obverse is clean and without discernable marks~~, the reverse has a vertical line from the top left leaf to the center base of E2, another down from the left ribbon end and a shallow mark just past the left stem end. ~~If you are a serious collector of half cents, then avail yourself to this opportunity to purchase this unique large edge letter Cohen 6b. If you fail to buy this coin, you may not have a chance to repurchase it any time soon, and the likelyhood of finding another large edge letter example of this very rare variety is slim at best.~~
DIE STATE: Late die state with a bulge beneath Liberty's bust and strong clashmarks on the obverse.
PEDIGREE: ~~Acquired from William R. Weber in trade, earlier William R. Raymond, Earl Bland, Willard C. Blaisdell, Lee C. Lahman and E. R. Alvord~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER NO: 2-354
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 31

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: HIGH GRADE 1794 COHEN-7
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Extremely Fine 40. ~~(nearly touches bust~~ pair of leaves below T4. Small edge letters. ~~6.95 grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: Dark, almost black, ~~color~~ greets the eye when held in a light. ~~An aura of silver radiates~~ from the medallic devices, as the obverse die reveals vastly different engraving from those ~~seen previously~~ in 1794. What appears to be lumps along the edge is caused by the edge lettering, similar to many Bust Half Dollars that exhibit this same irregularity from edge lettering. Roger listed this coin as number 4 in his Condition Census for the variety, making it ~~one of the best available.~~ It is plated in the first edition of his book and ~~would generate considerable excitement.~~
DIE STATE: The bust of Liberty is clashed on the reverse and a strong die crack extends from the rim through Liberty to the R. ~~For reasons unknown, the hand-cutter with the large letters edge die on varieties Cohen-7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 6. After extensive use on the Cohen-1 variety of 1794, this large edge lettering device was employed on a handful of coins on each of these five varieties and remains unknown after the high relief or mountainous hair obverse dies came into use with Cohen-7 and on. By 1795, a new edge lettering die was employed differing from both used in 1794.~~
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's Rawl's sale, Lot 1096, June 1970
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: E
OWNER NO: 2-355
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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Collection of Dr. Hugh W. Pitman

Stacks Rawl's 1970 1096

Almost certainly the one plated in Evans' Illustrated History of the United States N.B. with complete Description of Proofs & Coins (1st edition around 1885)

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 32 ?

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. ~~Very Good 10. 4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. 6.40 grams.~~ 98.8 grains
GRADE_QUAL: ~~VG~~ Fine
GRADE_NO: ~~10~~ 12
DESCRIP: The color is a ~~medium to~~ mostly dark chocolate brown and the surfaces are smooth. A couple of small pits on the obverse, none deep or distracting, the reverse with a shallow mark through C2. ALF and C of HALF CENT are weak, as sometimes seen on ~~this~~ die pairing. Glossy and pleasing for this rare variety, and ~~likely near or in the tail end~~ just below the end of the Condition Census.
DIE_STATE: Liberty's bust is clashed on the reverse and with a die crack through T3 at top.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from ~~Miles Gerson, November, 1973~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-356
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Barry Bahr, F

Fine 12 The high relief head

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. ~~4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. 6.64 grams~~ Another 102.5 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
10 GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown color, but with several shallow marks on Liberty's head, as well as on the central reverse. ~~Still an important coin and a rare early die state example.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state without the crack from rim to T3.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from ~~Paramount's 1972 ANA sale~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-357
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible]

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 3

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. ~~4 nearly touches but, vertical pair of leaves below T3.~~ 6.09 grams. Another 940. grains
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12 VG both sides
DESCRIP: Choice medium brown surfaces with but a few trivial and small rim marks on ~~either side~~. Identifiable by a small planchet flaw near the end of the pole. ~~On the reverse, a series of scratches are visible (but a glass is needed) in the lettering, but still far choicer than most seen, and it should be noted that this detailed list of marks are to serve more as identification than to describe any problems. For one glance will tell most collectors that this is a choice example of this difficult variety.~~
DIE_STATE: The reverse die crack is now strong from the rim to T3, but weak below this letter. Reverse die state #29
PEDIGREE: Purchased ~~from Joe Gallo~~
PHOTO: Y ~~Ex. Rowe, AMN 11-86 Ex. J. J. Teapot (Oct. 1987)~~
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-358 ~~Detail from the Teapot [illegible]~~
SORT_SEQ: ~~Medium 29, but much [illegible]~~
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Thus should be put in graded die state order

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 35

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 5. Good 5. ~~4 nearly touches bust, vertical pair of leaves below T4. 6.40 grams.~~ 98.8 grains
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Details of Very Fine, but heavily porous and granular on the obverse, much nicer on the reverse. A single rim bump above I1 serves to identify this coin. Not a striking beauty, but still a rare coin and deserving of a home with a die ~~state~~ variety specialist.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with a heavy crack through T3 to leaf below, and struck from clashed dies, although the evidence is faint at best.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from ~~"Brookes"~~ Joe Grado
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-359
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN, RECORD NO.

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1794
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-9 - Rarity 2. Extremely fine 40. 1 nearly touches bust; 1 in numerator touches ribbon. 6.87 grams.
GRADE QUAL:	EF
GRADE NO:	40
DESCRIP:	This lovely example has choice reddish tan color on either sides and is very well struck. As the mint had recently changed to this high relief style hair in late 1794 they noticed that Liberty's curls received the bulk of the intial wear. Therefore, once a coin entered circulation, it quickly were down to very fine or so. By 1795 a lower relief head punch was used, hence also keeping the coins in shallow relief. Even the coins that received the devices and also receive the wear allowing the curls to remain strong after months of circulation. A very rare that would grace any collection.
DIE STATE:	Late die state with a crack through the tops of LIBERTY and another from the rim just below the cap, through the cap to Liberty's hair.
PEDIGREE:	From Stack's sale, Lot 5, March 1972
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER NO:	2-360
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 20

DENOM:
TYPE: Half Cent
FEATURES: Late Die State
DATE: 1794
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 2. ~~Extremely Fine 40. 4 nearly touches bust.~~ 1 in numerator touches ribbon. ~~6.96 grams.~~ Mint State 60 Another 10.74 grains
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 60
DESCRIP: ~~Actually, this coin is Mint State 60~~, but weakly struck and thus nets a grade of Extremely Fine 40. Nevertheless, original red glows up ~~from either side, quite an event~~ for a Half Cent from the 1790's. While most of this coin's problems are a direct result of the late die state and weak strike, it should be remembered ~~that this~~ was struck under crude conditions and should therefore be viewed accordingly by prospective bidders. The planchet shows a myriad of tiny marks, almost certainly present before striking. Weak on Liberty's face, bust and date, but all discernable. Likewise, the reverse is weak on the right side, opposite the weakness of the obverse. Some may attribute the strike to die failure, or planchet preparation, or to a late summer afternoon; perhaps its all three. The weight of the planchet is normal between the other two examples offered of this variety, so we don't believe that this was the cause. An important coin that should excite the die state specialist, and one that has loads of charm and character. Rewrite CC
DIE STATE: Late die state with the crack through the tops of LIBERTY and a heavy crack from the rim, to cap and hair. Additional die stress above NITE, as seen on other examples of this die pairing. Die Break in to rim of denomination
PEDIGREE: Purchased from ~~James R.~~ McGuigan at the 1986 Milwaukee ANA
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-361
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 36

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1794
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 2. ~~Very Fine 35. 1 nearly touches bust, 1 in numerator touches ribbon. 7.21 grams.~~ 111.3 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF 35
GRADE_NO: 35 40
DESCRIP: A lovely, choice Half Cent with splendid, almost lustrous surfaces and an excellent strike. Colored a medium to dark brown with hints of olive. An early die state, with no trace of the crack below the cap or through IBERTY, although the obverse die shows clash marks. Choice on the obverse, the reverse with a shallow scratch from the rim above E2 to the O in OF, as well as some planchet depressions below HALF. ~~(Here is a coin that would make a welcome addition to any high grade collection of these important "Little Half Sisters".)~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state, no cracks and only the usual clash marks visible about Liberty.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-362
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Note the coin before this old #36.

Extremely Fine 40

Thus should point to graded grade

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 2294

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. ~~Very Fine 30. 5 in date is an I; no berries below AD.~~ Lettered edge 6.67 grams. Lettered Edge with the Pole 102.9 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Well struck on a well prepared planchet and free of distracting marks to the naked eye. ~~An enticing coin that boasts light olive tan color and hints of original color on either side.~~ Identifiable by tiny marks, one on the lowest curl, a couple of others near F1. The reverse rim has faint bruises above STATES, partly caused by the edge lettering and others by circulation. When examined with a glass, a number of tiny circulation marks are visible, keeping this coin from the choice category. ~~Nevertheless, yet another attractive Half Cent.~~ No
DIE STATE: The die is beginning to swell behind AMER, but still an early striking of this die pairing.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-363
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Probably cleaned and recolored. The reverse has suspiciously patina the obverse still has some simulated red.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 40

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. ~~Lettered edge. 6.68 grams.~~ 1031 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
30 GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but this example has a small mark on the obverse left of the date, coupled with minute nicks hidden in Liberty's hair and surrounding fields. ~~Why early copper seems to have attracted this type of abuse is likely a testament to its time. People traveled by horseback with their money jostling about in leather pouches, slamming these pouches down with authority at the local pubs, and are houses, further marking up the coins inside, hence, often early copper, silver, and gold show extensive circulation marks.~~ Notwithstanding these marks, the color is medium chocolate brown with lighter devices. ~~The cultivated collector can see beyond these minor imperfections and will delight in the aquisition of this high grade specimen.~~
DIE STATE: The ~~bulge is~~ visible on the reverse at AME.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Julian Leidman
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-364
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Lot 40

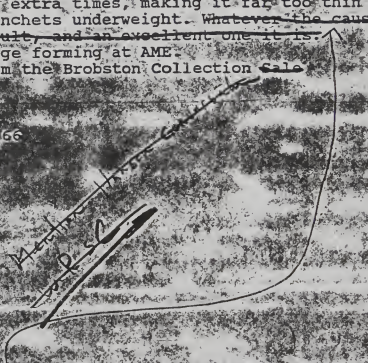
No bulge yet

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 41

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Good 8. Another. Lettered edge. ~~7.70 grams~~ 119.8 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: If a guess has to be made, this coin was likely struck from ~~a cut down large Cent planchet, although no undertype could be located~~. The standard weight authorized by Congress was ~~6.74 grams~~, making this coin nearly a full gram too heavy, even with its substantial wear. Today, it remains smooth, with medium to dark brown surfaces. Add to this the mark-free fields and devices, and you have an ~~delightful~~ attractive although very heavy, Half Cent.
DIE STATE: Early die state with the bulge at AME just starting.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-365
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 42

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another ~~5.01 grams~~ 1.73 grams
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4 4/10
DESCRIP: A lovely Half Cent with dark brown fields and much lighter tan devices. Three tiny marks on the lower left wreath. But this is only half the picture, for this coin is extremely lightweight, with a planchet that weighs in with one-fourth less copper than it should. ~~Perhaps it was cut down from some other copper stock, or perhaps~~ The copper strip (from probably which planchets were cut) went through the rolling mills a few extra times, making it far too thin and thus making all planchets underweight. ~~Whatever the cause, here is the result, and an excellent one it is.~~
DIE STATE: Bulge forming at AME.
PEDIGREE: From the Brobston Collection ~~Cale~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-366
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:



At the time Tookey suggested to Roger that there be a 1795 C-1b which would have the reeded edge because the Brobston coin is lightweight and filled. Roger replied, "Joe, I agree that there should be such a subvariety and I own the Brobston coin. If the enclosed photo is used, be certain the coin will not be a 1795 1b. The coin is strictly an EF40.

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 43

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4 - Another Lettered edge ~~6.17~~ 95.2 grams
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Light brown with darker highlights. However, there is moderate to heavy porosity over the entire coin.

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DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Likely~~ from Stack's June 10, 1970 Sale, Lot 1098
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-267
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Remove from sale

Where we have the coin in the main sale

Leave it in the main sale

Take this ugly coin out of the sale

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 44

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. ~~Extremely Fine 45.~~ Punctuated date, ~~no~~ with ~~berries below A3.~~ Lettered edge ~~7.68 grams~~ 103.1 grains
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45
DESCRIP: Handsome choice tan and brown surfaces, with minor mottling ~~in~~ the color. A planchet cut is ~~located~~ at three o'clock on the obverse and corresponding area on the reverse, and ~~appears to be mint caused.~~ Extensive searching reveals some minute specks on ~~either side~~, none of consequence. Delightfully well centered and struck, and on balance very choice. This one ~~is thought to be in the middle of the Condition Census, with only a single coin seen in full Mint State.~~

is due to a cracked planchet

DIE STATE: Heavy bulge seen at ER along with a faint die crack above OF. Another crack through the tops of RICA to the fraction. Clash marks from the pole and bust point visible below OF.

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-368
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

AU 55

Bolt sides

Bulge

A U-grade reduced selling price

Planchet defect

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 45

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. ~~Lettered edge. 6.81 grams.~~ 105.1 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30 or w FN
DESCRIP: Well struck and centered and now with dark, milk chocolate color with a darker area on the upper reverse. Identifiable by a tiny rim mark above Y on the obverse, and a shallow scrape above AT on the reverse. Scattered about the reverse ~~are trivial~~ planchet laminations, and this ~~coin~~ reverse is plated in the second edition of Roger's book under "Defective Planchet" for this variety. ~~One might conjure up a multitude of problems" but when viewed, this coin is truly choice and the insignificant laminations do not detract measurably.~~ Close to the Condition Census for the variety, ~~and will undoubtedly become a highlight in a first class variety set.~~
DIE STATE: A die bulge through ER on the reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-369
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 46

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2a. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. ~~Lettered edge.~~ Doubleshock
~~6.59 grams.~~ 101.7 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: ~~Smooth dark brown surfaces. But this is only half the story, as~~ The entire reverse is double struck, with a slight shift to the right on the second strike, and a rim clip behind Liberty's cap. Excellent color, ~~surfaces and a truly spectacular error coin. If a guess had to be made, we believe that this extraordinary coin will find a home as the centerpiece of an error collector's half cent collection.~~
DIE STATE: Late die state with the bulge strong the ER on the reverse. ~~What more could a collector hope for; a late die state, double struck and with a rim clip.~~
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-370
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Excellent dark brown color. Mint [illegible]

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 47

DENOM: Third Dupont
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~IMPORTANT~~ 1795 COHEN 2B PLAIN EDGE
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2b. Rarity 6. Fine 15. ~~Another~~ Punctuated Date, no barrier below #2 w/ <BI>Plain edge. <B>~~5.33 grams.~~ 82.3 grains.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Struck on a lightweight planchet with a plain edge. Blessed with the lightest milk chocolate color and a small reddish streak ~~below~~ to left of the cap and with similar areas on the reverse from D to C2. One faint scratch is visible from the rim to the second curl from the bottom on Liberty and there is a small rim clip from near the end of the pole, visible on either side both sides. ~~Sought after with characteristic vigor by collectors, and a subvariety which is rarely found in any grade, much less this choice. Thought to be tied for the~~ Fourth Third best in the Condition Census ~~and with an illustrious pedigree.~~
DIE STATE: ~~Middle die state with~~ The bulge at ER strong, but not too heavy. Weak at the central reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Anderson Dupont Sale, Lot 1045; earlier Commodore W. C. Eaton.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-371
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Dupont 1045 = Sep 1884

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 48

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Very Good 8. Punctuated date. ~~Leaf tip between UN.~~ Plain edge. ~~1.94 grams.~~ 7.6 2.9 grams
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Choice olive tan color and smooth surfaces. Identifiable by a trivial pin mark from the pole above the tip of bust to rim and a series of similar marks traversing the central reverse from the M and terminating between NI. Weakly struck in the central reverse, as are most seen of this rare die pairing. ~~Mr. Cohen's research placed this coin in the bottom of the Condition Census as number 10 of those he knew about.~~ Plated in the first edition of Roger's book.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from National Coin Studios via a Coin World ad, 197
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-372
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

S. berries on left branch

12

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The coin is the seventh finest known

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 36 A

DENOM:
TYPE: Fourth Finest Known 1795 Cohen 4
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. ~~Extremely Fine 45. Another.~~ Plain edge. ~~5.84 grams.~~
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45 55 superb
DESCRIP: ~~Choice~~ medium tan to brown color with glossy surfaces. A large planchet clip on the upper right of the obverse and corresponding area of the reverse. ~~Minor circulation marks are visible on both sides of the coin, as well as roller marks as seen on similar Half Cents.~~ ENT not visible on the reverse from die failure. In the Condition Census as coin number ~~4 just behind the previous lot~~
DIE STATE: Early die state with the bulge visible in the right obverse field, and crack through the upper reverse.
PEDIGREE: This example is from the Brobston Sale, where it was ~~described as "uncirculated, faded mint red"~~ Col. C. Wade
PHOTO: W
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-374
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Lot 49

AU 55 Punctuated Date No serrations on the back of the bow

77.8 grains

to some Lot Paint

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1945-1963

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: VISUALLY STUNNING 1795 COHEN-4
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. ~~Punctuated date; no berries either side of bow. Plain edge. 5.72 grams.~~ Another 88.3 grains
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Sumptuous red and tan ~~color~~ with glossy, unmarked surfaces. One trivial toning spot above IB on the obverse, the reverse free of spotting or detracting marks. Struck enough off-center to eliminate about 1/3 of the dentils, as illustrated, but with all other device detail visible. During the process of preparing copper sheets for planchets, large rolls of copper were squeezed between heavy rollers and repeatedly drawn through until reduced to the proper thickness, causing a number of tiny marks to appear during this process. ~~All too often, these marks are present after the coin is struck very similar to adjustment marks on silver and gold coins of this era. On copper coinage, these appear as a peppering of marks, often at the central devices.~~ Similarly, a shallow planchet void is visible on the right obverse, which was likely caused ~~during the planchet preparation process. Early enough die states read HALF CENT, but these letters are weak. Roger Cohen kept extensive notes for the Condition Census of Half Cents, and the coin was the 7th best he had seen, and is also listed in the Second edition of his authoritative work on Half Cents as a "Defective Planchet" and "Off Center Strike". The sum of our observations is that this superlative coin belongs in an important variety collection. Perhaps it will be yours.~~ HALF CENT is weakly visible since the coin was struck off center. Letters would be visible at all.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the bulge beginning in the right obverse field and with the crack from T2, which weakens HALF CENT.
PEDIGREE: ~~From Kevin Kagin's MANA Sale of November 1974~~ Lot 5 — NERCG
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-373
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FPL 4 (1975) — Pine Tree — Conway B-H 11/1975 / —
Pine Tree 1/1975: 16 — RSC
The one with the sixth finest Karat

The catalogue (FPL) has seen other examples of HALF CENT reasonably visible, albeit effective strike

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 51

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. 5.40 ~~grams.~~
GRADE_QUAL: VF
OGRADE_NO: ~~25~~ 30
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but a light scratch is visible on Liberty's mouth to the tip of her cap, a tiny pit above the pole and a small rim mark across from her nose. Choice light tan ~~color~~ on either ~~side~~, with the usual roller marks visible. CE not visible, as is typical of this die pairing. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book on Half Cents.
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the obverse bulge visible in the right field and central weakness on the reverse from the crack through T2.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-375
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 52

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. Plain edge. ~~4.88 grams.~~ 75.3 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: ~~10~~ 15
DESCRIP: Olive tan ~~[illegible]~~ with some darker spots, one orange spot to the right of Y, a few others on the rim. One minor planchet lamination extends from the point of Liberty's cap to just behind her eye. On the reverse is a minor spot on F. Struck a touch off center, and quite choice for the variety. The EN of CENT are quite weak, which is par for the course on all Cohen-4 Half Cents.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the Levine Collection Sale, Kagin's, November 1974
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-376
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 54

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another! Plain edge. ~~5.12 grams.~~ 79.8 grains
GRADE QUAL: VG
10 GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: This coin has the details of a higher grade, but there are a couple of digs on Liberty's nose, in the field before her face and another above the L. Similarly, the reverse has several light scratches in the center. A tiny planchet clip is noted above the cap. Additionally, the obverse has a number of laminations. Medium brown with darker areas around the devices. This lot should be examined carefully.
DIE STATE: Typical weakness at the central reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-377
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 54

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 3. Very Fine ~~25~~ ~~No pole, no barries either side of bow~~ Plain edge. ~~5 11 grams~~ Another
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~26~~ 25
DESCRIP: Olive tan ~~color~~ with brassy undertones that suggest a ~~ancient~~ cleaning. A few patches of red erosion are noted; one below the I of LIBERTY, another in the curls above ~~Liberty's shoulder.~~ One small lamination is outlined in the left obverse field. A couple of minor rim marks are visible, but they are not too detracting. Boldly struck throughout. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, with the reverse plated in the second edition.

which reduce the net grade from 30

DIE STATE: Early die state with the crack from T2 to R.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, Lot 2, April 1971
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 72-379
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

J.L. Brookstone - Stack's 4/1971 2

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 55

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CLASSICAL 1795 COHEN-5A HALF CENT
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. ~~Another. Plain edge. 5.12 grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 35
DESCRIP: Another of the thin planchet subvariety. This one is a ~~classic~~ medium brown. A tiny dark spot is located at the tip of Liberty's cap and red corrosion is noted along the reverse rim above TATE and RI. The date is weak, but visible. ~~Superb Half Cents, like this coin, are always in demand and are far rarer than commonly believed.~~
DIE STATE: Later die state than the ~~preceding~~, with the crack turning below the R and continuing below RIC. A second crack has developed between the D and S which runs roughly parallel to the upper crack, above HALF.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from K.P. Austin
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-380
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COBGI, RECORD NO. 5G

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5a. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~4-09~~ 75,S,gr,n
~~Grams:~~
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Medium brown, but with a number of initials or scratches in the right obverse field. On the reverse is a lamination from T1 to T2.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only the single reverse crack.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-381
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Should [illegible] plain edge?

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 57

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE NORWEB 1795 COHEN 5B HALF CENT
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. Rarity 4. Very Fine 30. Another. Plain edge. Thick planchet. ~~7.44 grams~~ 114.8 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
30 GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: ~~Enticing~~ medium brown color with choice smooth, almost glossy, surfaces. Details of a higher grade, but reduced because of minor edge marks below the date and above the cap. In addition, ~~two tiny~~ small marks are visible above B. Struck on a very heavy planchet, which may have helped, as HALF CENT is entirely evident. Free of other detractions, and on balance, a truly choice Half Cent.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, with the sharp crack from T2 to R.
PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, Lot 20, October 1987 and earlier from Richard Picker in 1960
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-378
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 58

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. Another. Plain edge. Thick planchet. ~~6.68 grams~~ 103.1 grains.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 do w FW
DESCRIP: Struck over a cut down brockage Large Cent, with the dentils and A visible on the obverse of the Half Cent, while the reverse shows evidence of the off center brockage Large Cent with ATE of STATES visible near the final S of STATES. The coin has dark brown, almost black obverse fields with a tan to silver color on the devices, while the reverse is a more uniform olive to black shade. The die break is heavy on the reverse, weakening HALF and CENT. A small patch of corrosion is noted in the wreath below the T in CENT. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse. An extraordinary error coin that shows how valuable every scrap of copper was, in that a spoiled Large Cent, struck off center and with a brockage on the reverse was pressed back into service rather than remelted to a more dignified planchet, but was cut down to a Half Cent size and restruck.
DIE_STATE: Usual heavy reverse break, weakening the central devices.
PEDIGREE: From Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hansen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-382
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 59

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5b. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. Plain edge, thick planchet. ~~7.46 grams.~~ 115.195 grains
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Light chocolate brown, but with the 5 in date crudely reengraved. This is the plate coin for the reverse of variety #4 in the first edition of Roger's book.
DIE_STATE: Another example of the scarce thick planchet subvariety.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-383
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 60

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. No pole; one berry left of bow. Plain edge. ~~5.77 grams.~~ 89.0 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF
35 GRADE NO: 30 35 both
DESCRIP: Nearly choice, with medium brown color on ~~either~~ side, although not quite as glossy as others in its grade range. Minor dark red and brown areas in the right obverse field, but this is being quite picky, as the centering is nearly perfect, as is the strike and overall appeal of this example. A single mark on Liberty's neck as well as a hidden lintmark above the L of LIBERTY will serve to identify this coin. ~~No trace of any undertype can be seen, so this was likely a regular stock planchet, or was so well struck that the undertype of the Talbot, Allum and Lee cent was obliterated. Whatever the case, this is a beautiful coin that will attract serious bidding.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state without the bulge next to the Y.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, Lot 6, March 1972; earlier from the Brobston Collection.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-384
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 61

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~CHIPPING~~ DOUBLE STRUCK 1795 COHEN-6A
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. <BI>Double Struck<B>. Plain edge. ~~5.80 grams~~ 8.95 grams
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Possibly cleaned and retoned to a medium to dark brown. ~~color.~~ Struck a bit off-center first, then reinserted into the press and restruck, this time properly centered. ~~We note~~ A small clip on the lower left obverse as illustrated. Only the 17 of the date is visible, the double striking weakened the 95. ~~Entirely double struck on both sides, with the first strike below and to the right on the obverse and above and to the right on the reverse.~~ No annoying marks on either side, and really clean for the grade. ~~Another prize for the variety of error collector. No trace of the rabbit horn and see under type visible~~ and ~~this may have been on a regular planchet about~~

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DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: P
OWNER NO: 2-386
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: CUST RECORD NO. 52

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~S-74~~ 8.2.4 ~~grade~~ 9 lines
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO:
DESCRIP: Both sides have been cleaned and retoned to an unnatural olive, tan, orange and black in random order, especially on the obverse. The detail is strong, but the central obverse is deeply pitted, perhaps it was mounted as a button, and then an attempt was made to repair the damage by buffing and scraping. Struck a few degrees off center toward the cap, but all devices and lettering are clear on ~~either~~ both sides. Here again is a coin that could be retoned and perhaps repaired to make it more presentable, and as such should be examined by prospective bidders.
DIE STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent, with the undertype visible along the periphery.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-389
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Sold ~~[illegible]~~ W. H. Robins

Sold through the Mail Sale

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 63

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Fine 15. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.95~~ 8.26 ~~grams~~ grams
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Details of a much higher grade, but ~~ravaged~~ marred by a patch of red corrosion on the left obverse field and purple corrosion on much of the reverse. Aside from the corrosion, the obverse of the coin is an attractive dark brown, while the reverse is primarily a dark brown coupled with the pink, orange and purple color. ALL of ALLUM is visible above the cap and COMM of COMMERCE is visible above UNITED on the reverse. Still, a handsome coin of this variety and the corrosion has the appearance of a light coat of paint rather than heavy cratering often seen on early copper.
DIE_STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee cent. Undertype visible on the obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries Mail Bid Sale (MBS), November 1984, Lot 2001.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-390
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Correct date, but wrong die. Underlying coin is visible

FEEL COIN RECORD NO. 64

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Very Good 7. Another. Plain edge. 6.35 grams
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 7
DESCRIP: Choice tan color on ~~either side~~ both sides; however, scattered depressions are noted on the obverse. These marks slightly beat the coin, and appear to have been applied by a blunt instrument. On the obverse are numerous tiny circulation marks visible with a glass. Even though this coin has been a bit battered, it still has the outline of all device detail sharp and was also plated in the second edition of Roger's book (reverse only) to illustrate the Talbot, Allum and Lee planchet stock.
DIE STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee Large Cent, with ALL clearly visible over TATE on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier from Stack's Sale, June 1966, Lot 139.~~ Ex Stack's 1948 Lot 139. Ex Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-385
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COPAT, RECORD NO. 62

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6a. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. Plain edge. ~~6.32~~ 8.21 grams. 9 PCGS
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: An excellent strike and toned a pleasing brown with darker highlights in the fields on the obverse, the reverse a golden tan with darker devices. A glass reveals numerous tiny marks, concentrated on the obverse, the most notable being above the 9 in the date. Still an acceptable coin for the variety collector, and much more pleasing than it sounds.
DIE STATE: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent, with undertype visible along the reverse periphery.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-3-6
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGNLOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE COPY RECORD NO. 66

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE: Cohen-6a; Rarity 2; Very Good 8; Another; Plain edge; ~~6.91 grams~~ 92.7 gr.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Yet another example of this variety, this one with an even coat of olive green porosity on ~~either side~~, and all devices sharp. One of the heavier planchets in this group, ~~but not nearly as heavy as the 1795 Cohen 6b to follow.~~
DIE_STATE: Struck over a 1794 Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent, with undertype visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries MBS, November 1985, Lot 1466.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO:
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 67

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: DISCOVERY EXAMPLE OF 1795 COHEN-6B
DATE: 1795
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6b. Rarity 6. Fine 12 ~~Another very rare variety~~ 62 grams
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: While struck from the same pair of dies as the previous 1795 Cohen-6a coins, this one was struck on a very heavy planchet, about 5% heavier than the ~~regular~~ planchet stock ~~coin~~. This type of planchet was discovered by Roger Cohen in 1953, and later it was determined that these heavy planchets were actually cut down Large Cents as a few more were discovered with heavy planchets. Well known since its publication in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M> in 1971, and eagerly sought by Half Cent collectors, who have ~~found a total of 18 of these heavyweight examples~~. This particular coin is plated both obverse and reverse in the first edition of Roger's book and is placed as the ~~fourth best~~ in the Condition Census. A minor pit in the dentil above the R in LIBERTY and another mark above AF on the reverse will serve to identify this great rarity. ~~[illegible]~~
DIE STATE: Struck on a Large Cent planchet, although we could not find any undertype, and known as such by the very heavy weight of the planchet. Apparently, the spoiled Large Cents used were not rolled out to the proper thickness, accounting for the substantially thicker and heavier planchets.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ben G. Douglas.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-39I
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

ITEM: COHEN RECORD NO. 68

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: RARE 1796 COHEN-1 "NO POLE" HALF CENT
DATE: 1796
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Good 6. "No pole." Triple leaf at r2. Thin edge. 4.58 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: One of the premier rarities in all United States Coinage, the "No Pole" 1796 Half Cent deserves its great fame and more. After more than a century since its publication a scant 20 or so have been found, and of those only five grade Fine or above. In fact, this coin, with a net grade of Good 6, remains at the low end of the dozen in the Condition Census kept by Mr. Cohen. This particular coin appears to have been lightly burnished on the obverse probably to reduce the minor porosity, some of which remains. In the color department, one finds mottled shades of brown, with a rather pleasing appearance overall. [illegible] grade level is a heavy die crack, which spans horizontally across the obverse, known on all examples of this variety. Such a crack quickly terminated the obverse dies use, accounting for the rarity of this variety. Furthermore, the crack [illegible] the roughness of the upper reverse [illegible] comparison. One of the highlights of the Roger Cohen collection, and worthy of a prominent place in any numismatic collection.

DIE STATE: It is curious to note that the reverse die [illegible] the 1795 date. Apparently, [illegible] the 1796 die always found with the [illegible] and a regular 1 punch. [illegible] LIBERTY [illegible]

PEDIGREE: From the collection of [illegible] Cohen was able to acquire [illegible] Half Cents. In fact, in [illegible] collection can be traced back to the Mint [illegible]

PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: Z-392
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 69

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE OF THE 1796 COHEN-1, "NO POLE".
DATE: 1796
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1.4 Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~4.18 grams.~~ 4.5
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Similar to the previous example, this coin favors dark brown color with some lighter shades in the devices. Minor porosity on ~~either~~ side, but all device details, lettering and dentils can been seen, with similar areas of weakness to the previous coin, as illustrated. Free of problems in general, the only visible ones are a minor patch of porosity left of the date and a minor rim irregularity between F A on the reverse. Still, not all, one of the most sought after Half Cents, and rightly so, with a population of only 7 examples. [illegible] these [illegible] opportunity [illegible] this great century.

DIE STATE: The year 1796 unfolded with continued chaos for the employees of the Philadelphia Mint. By stage, that year was part[illegible] one to catastrophic [illegible]. The 1796 no stamp Cent and the Half Cents [illegible] both [illegible] graphic [illegible] breaks with [illegible] broken examples [illegible] seen [illegible] many denomi[illegible] and die sinking app[illegible] much [illegible] seen [illegible] later. Some [illegible] were [illegible] perfo[illegible] as the Mint struggled to [illegible] tidbit of metal [illegible] through their doors [illegible] equipment [illegible] considered meager at best. An in-depth [illegible] like Roger Cohen's chronicles these vast [illegible] as men matched wits against uncertain emplo[illegible] legislate the Mint out of existence [illegible] and constant supply shortages of necessary equipment. [illegible] unfolding and today we can only but wonder how anything [illegible] was produced during this period and smile gently when we see the number of double struck, [illegible] and off center coins produced [illegible].

PEDIGREE: Purchased from [illegible]
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: N
OWNER NO: 2-393
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: CATALOG RECORD NO. 70

DENOM:
TYPE: wide
FEATURES: ~~SATISFYING~~ 1796 COHEN-2 "WITH POLE"
DATE: 1796
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Obverse with pole; triple leaf at F2.
Plain edge. ~~1796 great~~
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: An excellent match to either of the "No Pole" 1796's just offered. This coin has minor porosity and was lightly burnished on ~~either side~~. Nevertheless, all obverse devices are clear, although part of the reverse lettering is very weak, with STATES and HALF missing as well as a portion of the leaves in the ~~surrounding~~ wreath. Again, this date has long be known as a great rarity, with only ~~a handful found of either variety. An offered example of this great rarity and certain [illegible] date and [illegible] collector. All of which need an example of this date.~~
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the Collection of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-394
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD No. 71

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE 1797 COHEN-1 DIE PROGRESSION STORY
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fr. Good 8. Al over 11 5 berries on left branch, outer leaf below Ma pulled to M. Plain edge. 5 ac grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: This is the first in a long process of die disintigration. Here is the early die state, no bulge left of the L. Dark brown fields with lighter devices and well centered. Free of all but a couple of shallow scratches, one running from Liberty's forehead to her neck, others in the left obverse field. While we can't quite be sure as to what this coin started out as something else, perhaps a large cent or Talbot, Allum and Lee Cent, as there appears to be a ribbon, not next to the [illegible] of the date and other fragments above AM of AMERICA. On the reverse, STA and HALF are very weak and require a dash of imagination to discern.
DISCOVERY: Early die states are not common, and this coin is particularly nice for the grade.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's store stock.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIS:
OWNER_NO: 2-395
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD No. 72

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another. Plain edge. 5.47 grams. 93.6 grains.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: Struck well after the early die state, now the obverse shows a bulge next to the L, a crack from the rim, through B, to Liberty's upper hair and just a hint of the crack from the end of the pole to rim. Excellent surfaces and strike, the only complaint being a scattering of trivial hairline scratches, well hidden by the patina of the copper. A single mark is located above the O of OF, which can serve to identify this coin. Cleaned and retoned with minor mottling on either side and, on balance, a magnificent coin that possesses a quiet elegance which makes copper so charming to collect.
DIE STATE: A later die state with a bulge next to the L, crack through B and very faint crack from the rim to the end of the pole.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTOS: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-396
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 73

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another 2 Plain edge. 6.06 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Medium chocolate color with smooth, glossy surfaces. ~~Remarkably choice surfaces for a coin of this grade.~~ Free of all but the most trivial signs of contact. Plated in the first edition of Mr. Cohen's book for the "Normal obverse" and "Plain planchet" reverse. ~~An exceptional value for the grade and quality.~~
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the proceeding, a growing bulge by the L and a crack through B.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Tom Werner
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-397
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 74

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine, 40. Another Plain edge
1.96 grams 76.54 grains
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown in color, with a minor corrosion spot below chin and bust, while the reverse is free of spots. One light mark extends from the rim below the cap up toward the lower point of the cap, and this same area shows evidence of the Talbot, Allum and Lee planchet from which this was struck. Well centered and struck and a delightful example of this middle die state. An excellent coin to represent the variety, with bold detail and interesting cracks to study.
DIE STATE: Later die state than the preceding, with two bulges left of L, longer crack through B, a tiny one from the rim to pole tip and hints of the two cracks before Liberty's face.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Ray D. Munde, earlier from Stack's, June 1968, Lot 140.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: Z-398
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Stack's Pays Grade" Apr. 1, 1954 Lot 98

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 75

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	AN EXTRAORDINARY 1797 COHEN-1
DATE:	1797
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Another Plain edge, 6.03 grams.
GRADE QUAL:	AU
GRADE NO:	50
DESCRIP:	Here is a coin that everyone will love! Velvety, milk chocolate surfaces that look as if they just popped from the molds of the famous chocolate maker in Hershey, Pennsylvania, rather than a mint product of Philadelphia. And what an example! Sweet and lustrous, the only detraction being faint roughness and red areas on the reverse and free of nearly all signs of contact. Unless a full mint red example comes your way, we doubt you would ever want to upgrade this wonderful specimen.
DIE STATE:	As cast from the excellent color and surfaces, this coin has a wonderful collage of cracks and bulges. The two bulges near die 1 are growing, the crack through the B extends through Liberty's lower two curls to the rim left of date. Another crack through the lower part of the cap, another behind Liberty's face, yet another through the W. One from the tip of Liberty's nose to rim near pole, and a branching crack to the junction of Liberty's chest and neck. Clearly, this die had sheared and was starting to weaken various areas of the obverse. Lastly, the reverse had finally cracked from the rim below the 2 to the top of the [illegible]
PEDIGREE:	Purchased from W. K. Raymond, earlier Del Bland, Willard Blaisdell and Thomas Elder.
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	Y
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER NO:	2-399
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 16

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. Another. Plain edge. 5.32 grams. 12-9-96 LS
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Here is yet another Cohen-1. This one with respectable and choice medium brown surfaces. Two small pits below CENT, another at the top of the I of UNITED. Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with undertype visible on either side. Several die sections are loose, making some areas weak, others strong. On balance, a wonderful coin for the budget minded collector.
DIE STATE: All the cracks mentioned on the previous coin, with a sharper horizontal crack above Liberty's eye.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2=.00
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 77

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge - 5.92 grams 91 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: Well struck and centered for this die state, with lovely medium to dark brown color and glossy surfaces. A scattering of marks, mostly hidden on Liberty, a tiny rim ding above the Y on the obverse, and a shallow scratch from the leaf below F toward the rim beside. ~~Quite many great coins are offered in this collection, but the buyers who have long sought after varieties will know which are the truly rare gems among the great die effect and die pairings included in this next sale offering.~~

but still a decent very fine

DIE STATE: Later die state than the preceeding with a small crack in the central right obverse field forming a triangle. The CA of AMERICA is weak due to the bulge forming at the Y of LIBERTY, bringing back memories of the famous Sheldon 1 Auction Large Cent.

PEDIGREE: Purchased from Joe Flynn, carrier Philip Showers.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-401
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 78

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 125. Another. Plain edge. ~~grade~~ 94.6 grams
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: This is the latest die state of this impressive group of 1797 ~~Cohen-1 Half Cents.~~ Excellent color and surfaces for the grade, and free of distracting corrosion or other problems. Medium to dark brown throughout. A single reverse rim mark, between the ribbon end and U, is the only mark worthy of mention, while the balance of the fields and devices reveal that this has been a cherished coin for many generations. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M> as the "Shattered obverse".
DIE STATE: Struck from badly broken dies, the strike uneven with numerous areas of weakness. Remnants of a Talbot, Allum and Lee token are visible, mostly over AM on the reverse, as well as other areas of planchet flaking. RTY has vanished, as has ICA and a few leaves on the wreath, and [illegible] the [illegible] the planchet. [illegible] mention [illegible] unfolding [illegible] planchet from a variety of [illegible] when some planchets were ready [illegible] dies cracked and swelled, creating hours of interest for collectors."
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-402
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 75

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Good 4. Another. <BI>Double struck.<B>
Plain edge. 2.4 10 grams. 1948 grains
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Rough from long exposure to moisture, and now moderately porous. One of the early states of this die pairing, before the crack appears through B on the obverse. First struck about 40% off center, toward 8 o'clock, then restruck again, about 5% off center. It is interesting to see the outline of the bust through the date, dentils from rim to rim via Liberty's face, and the ME of AMERICA located mid wreath below. OF. While not the most magnificent coin in this collection, it is one of the most important pieces which so clearly exhibit the struggles of the earliest days of the Philadelphia Mint.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Chuck Furjanic
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-403
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESRVE:

FILE- Cohen RECORD NO. 60

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1797
MINT_MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fair 2. Another. Plain edge. Fair 2.
GRADE_QUAL:	FR
GRADE_NO:	2
DESCRIP:	Struck a bit off center with minor scratches through the central obverse, otherwise clean for the grade.
DIE_STATE:	
PEDIGREE:	
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-404
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

Check grade!

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 81

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 2. Basal State 1. Another. Plain edge. 4.74 grams.
GRADE QUAL: BS
GRADE NO: 1
DESCRIP: Clearly one of the most wretched Half Cents in Roger Cohen's collection, this coin has the distinction of being the only one acquired from a very rich source, a Civil War battlefield. In the second edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>, Mr. Cohen discusses the various ways to acquire Half Cents on page 130. As a historian, Mr. Cohen explored a the Civil War battlefield in Falmouth, Virginia with a metal detector and found this very coin. One must surmise that it was lost by a forgotten soldier, and perhaps Half Cents were still in circulation during the 1860's. A true keepsake for the collector who knew Mr. Cohen.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Found in a Civil War battlefield near Falmouth, Virginia and likely lost during the winter of 1862.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-405
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD No. 82

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. ~~Long dentils, lump midway before neck; 5 berries on left branch, outer leaf below B3 points to M.~~ Plain edge. ~~5.72 grams.~~
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Moderately dark milk chocolate on the obverse, with a splash of ~~gold~~ above the pole, while the reverse is a dark brown, with a darker area on the upper left. Some very light porosity is visible, mostly with a glass, on the obverse. Splendid fields and devices, all of which are nearly free of marks or abrasions. Clearly struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with undertype visible on either side. In Roger's extensive notes, this coin was rated as the 10th best in his Condition Census, Plated in the second edition of his book as "Talbot, Allum & Lee Planchet" obverse only. Fairest Known struck [illegible]
DIE STATE: The reverse crack from the rim below the fraction to the tops of UN is Clear [illegible]
PEDIGREE: Purchased from R. Tettenhorst
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: [illegible]
EMPHASIZE: D
OWNER_NO: 2-407
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 83

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another. Plain edge. 5.65 grams. 87.2 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 Terrific
DESCRIP: ~~Enticing~~ color, surfaces and strike. ~~Here is a beauty that would grace any collection. For rarely are Half Cents found free of problems and with such glossy surfaces.~~ Identifiable by a tiny nick in the mid left obverse field and a minute scratch from the rim to T2. ~~If you missed the prior example, then here is a second opportunity to purchase a charming example of this variety.~~ The reverse die crack is sharp from below the fraction to the rim above II.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 7-408
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

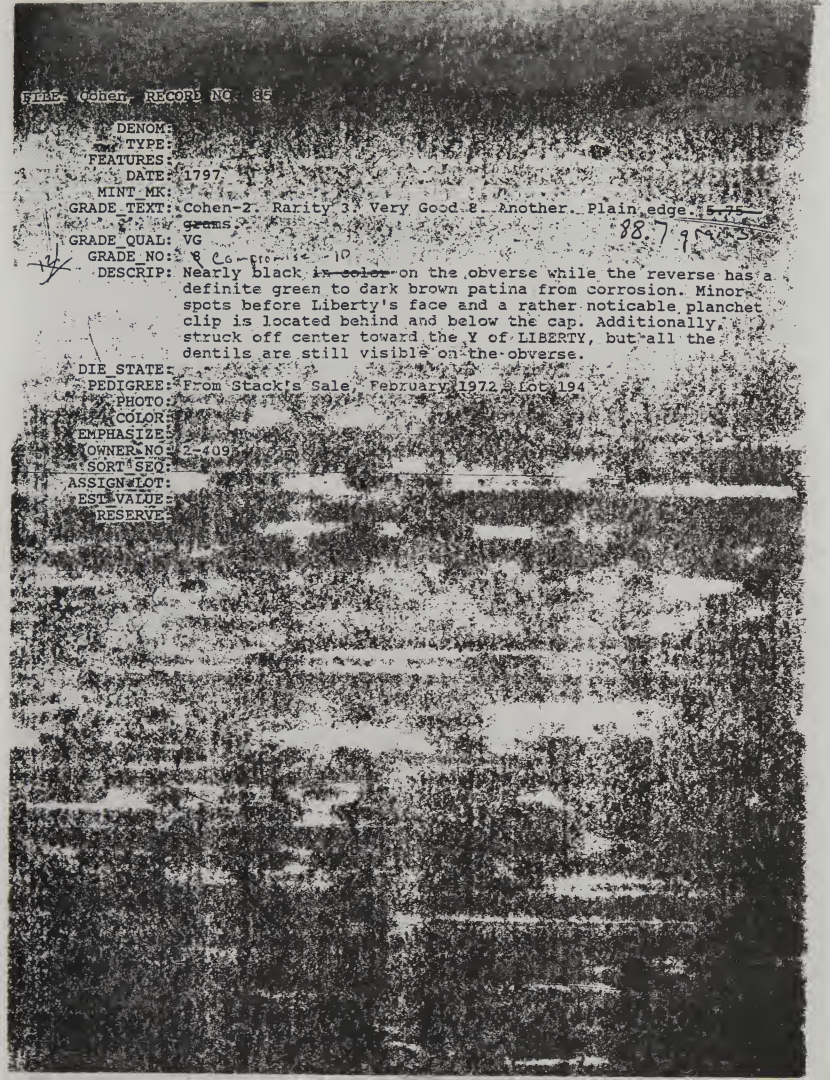
Tore it down

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 84

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. Plain edge. ~~4.50~~ grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~20~~ 25
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color on the obverse, a bit lighter on the reverse. One small rim clip is located along the right obverse rim, as well as minor planchet marks at the central obverse and reverse from the heavy mint planchet rollers. Often, these roller marks are flattened during the striking process, but on this example, they are visible. Still and all, a beautiful coin.
DIE_STATE: Usual light reverse crack.
PEDIGREE: From the Loye Lauder collection.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-406
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 85

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good & Another. Plain edge. ~~5.75 grams~~ 88.7 gr
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8 Comments 10
DESCRIP: Nearly black ~~in color~~ on the obverse while the reverse has a definite green to dark brown patina from corrosion. Minor spots before Liberty's face and a rather noticable planchet clip is located behind and below the cap. Additionally, struck off center toward the Y of LIBERTY, but all the dentils are still visible on the obverse.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, February 1972, Lot 194
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-409
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:



FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 86

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity: 3. Very Good 8. Another <BI>Double Struck
<B>Plain edge $ 90 [illegible] 1797 [illegible]
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: [illegible] Choice
DESCRIP: Gold highlights against the dark tan ~~color~~ that gives copper coinage so much character. Wonderfully double struck with a complete outline of Liberty's face just to the right of the second strike. ~~Alluring~~ surfaces that boast no significant marks. Only a tiny nick above Liberty needed to identify this ~~unique coin~~. And it follows that the reverse also has strong evidence of the double striking. In fact there appears to be a third N of UNITED above the final strike making this coin <MI>Triple Struck</MI> but with only a hint of two of the original strike [illegible] ~~encountered and should prove [illegible] to the lucky collector who [illegible] the Liberty.~~

Beautiful specimen

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: E
OWNER NO: 2-410
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 87

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. <BI>Double Struck!<B> Plain edge. ~~5.96 grams.~~ 82.7 grains
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Yet another <MI>Double Struck<M> example! Medium tan color on ~~either side~~ both sides, but with minor pitting on the right obverse and scattered about the reverse. First struck off center to the right, the coin was restruck on center, but LIB LIB remains clear above Liberty. Similarly, the reverse has areas which clearly show the doubling on certain letters and the wreath. ~~What an opportunity to choose from multiply struck half cents!~~
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Bob Shalowitz
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-411
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 88

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~6.66 grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Struck over a Talbot, Allum and Lee token, with the prior ~~lettering clearly~~ visible on ~~either side~~ both sides. A series of file marks are located on the right reverse rim, otherwise choice tan and pleasing.

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-412
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Note: Used to make a [illegible]
1792 C Dime struck [illegible]
Grade: [illegible]

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 95

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3 ? Very Fine, 25. ~~Low head, pointed tailed, 6, four berries left branch, leaf points to 8?~~. Plain edge. ~~6.35 grams.~~ 180 grains.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Choice tan ~~color~~ with darker brown highlights near the devices. Details of a higher grade, but lightly and evenly porous producing a matte finish. Struck a bit off center toward the date. This example began as an off center Large Cent, with dentils visible from Liberty's chin to neck, and the letters ST are clearly visible at the central reverse, other letters very weak. ~~Roger Cohen's notes place this coin as~~ The 10th best in ~~the~~ Condition Census, and certainly one of the best to show the Large Cent undertype. Clearly [illegible]
DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the obverse crack from the chin to the rim light, ~~but~~ visible underneath the porosity.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Jack Beymer, earlier Hugh Campbell.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 15
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO: 76

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CRACKED 1797 COHEN-3 "LOW HEAD"
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30 - Another Plain edge. 5.48 grams
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30
DESCRIP: As the admirer of Half Cents knows, rarely is one encountered in high grade and nearly free of problems. Here is one of those. Attractive reddish tan color and boldly impressed throughout. Three small toning spots are visible one just right of the date, another above the cap and the last above the D. Rated in Roger's Condition Census as number 7 of the top dozen known for the variety, and this coin is plated, obverse and reverse, in the second edition of Roger's book.
DIE STATE: The obverse crack from the chin to the rim is clear, as is the reverse crack from the rim through E1 to below H.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Chuck Furjanic
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-41
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

First time but with no signature

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 91

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. Plain edge. ~~5.55~~ 85.9 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Struck off center to the left on the obverse and cleaned to a brassy tan ~~color~~. One pit above Liberty's ear, an edge bump over the M and a long shallow scrape down from the rim threough E2 to the L of HALF are the most noticable problems. ~~Unusual for its off center strike.~~
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Purchased from Paul Hanson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-13
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 82

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3a. Rarity 3. Fair 2. Another. Plain edge. S-19. 80.9 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR
GRADE_NO: 2
DESCRIP: Well centered and struck, but battered from hard circulation and several marks are visible. This coin was examined by Mike Packard and is believed to be one of the extremely rare "Gripped Edge" examples, but the condition of edge makes it difficult to determine and prospective buyers will want to examine the edge carefully to decide for themselves. Porous, dark fields with lighter devices.

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DIE_STATE: Why the edge was gripped on certain examples of this die pairing remains a mystery; perhaps one of the engravers was experimenting, or possibly a new type of collar was employed. Whatever the case, only a handful are known today.

PEDIGREE: [illegible]
PHOTO: [illegible] 1797 3c
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-416
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible]

[illegible] suggest [illegible] Cohen [illegible] Upper [illegible]

R&L conclude that [illegible]

(FEW) [illegible] Rasco [illegible] as possible grippe [illegible]

[illegible]

Cohen [illegible] Cohen

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 66

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A F.C. 1797 Lettered Edge
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. Fine 12. Another Lettered edge. 5.0 grams. 14 clashes
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Once again, the Mint impressed the edge with "TWO HUNDRED FOR A DOLLAR" A light scratch is located on the bust, another past the F and a small rim bruise above that letter. Lightly porous with dark brown color
DIE STATE: Early die state with only the reverse crack
PEDIGREE: 1977 Dallas - R&G
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-417
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, Record No. 22

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. About Good 3. Another. Lettered edge. ~~5.43 grams~~ 84.1 grains
GRADE QUAL: AG
GRADE NO: 3
DESCRIP: Struck a whisper off center, enough to weaken the reverse dentils which allowed the devices to wear down ~~prematurely~~ unevenly. Minor porosity ~~throughout, and~~ still acceptable for this scarce sub variety. overall but
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-420
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN RECORD No. 35

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3b. Rarity 4. Fair 2. Another. Lettered edge. ~~5.00~~ 4.5 grams.
GRADE QUAL: FR
GRADE NO: 2.3
DESCRIP: Heavily porous but identifiable, with most of the obverse devices clear, the reverse weaker.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-419
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~HALF CENT ON A LARGE CENT~~ Lettered Edge 1797 Struck over a large Cent
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 3b. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. <BI>Struck over a double struck Large Cent!<B> Lettered edge. ~~5.43 grams.~~ 90.0 gr.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Unmistakably struck on a spoiled Large Cent that was itself double struck. In fact, the obverse of this Half Cent shows clearly the ribbon from the obverse of the Large Cent, located just left of the date. On the reverse, ATE is boldly struck at the upper left and, along the right rim, STATE is again visible above OF AMER. Extraordinary to say the least. Golden tan ~~color~~ from an old cleaning and with patches of porosity, mostly on the obverse. Minor file marks along the rim, ~~perhaps occurring during its many trips through the coining process or applied later by less natural causes. These minor imperfections pale when the circumstances of this death are considered. For only those with great patience ever have an opportunity to ~~attempt such a coin.~~ Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the reverse of the "Large Cent Planchet". ~~Indisputably rare and certain to command attention in any collection.~~
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Robert Batchelder.
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-418
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

THE CENTS RECORD NO. 91

DENOM: [illegible]
TYPE: [illegible]
FEATURES: ~~RARE "GRIPPED EDGE" 1797 COINAGE~~
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 7. Very Good 10. ~~Another~~ Low Rare with Gripped edge. ~~4.82 grams~~ 79.4 grains
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Along the entire ~~rim~~ edge of the coin is a series of small marks, similar to reeding on precious metal coinage, but further apart. Obviously the Mint was experimenting with either a new collar or with upsetting the rim before striking the planchets. Similar to the 1797 Large Cent with a "Gripped Edge". Apparently the experiment failed, or was deemed unnecessary as this curious rim disappears after this variety was struck. Medium brown devices with darker fields, a few trivial scratches and a pit above the T in CENT. Struck off center toward the date, weakening many, and eliminating some of the denticles. ~~One of the finest known of the handcut "Gripped Edge" Half Cents found, and certain to be one of the prized [illegible] offerings.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state.
PEDIGREE: Purchased with the collection of Ray D. Munde, earlier from Richard Picker.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPRESSAGE: B
OWNER NO: 2-421
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

About the time Roger was negotiating to buy the Raymunde collection of Half Cents, the late Richard Picker was holding a private auction between two half cent specialists from the coin club and BOM. When Roger and Munde realized what was happening, a reverse auction occurred so that the price that was eventually paid was significantly less than the highest bid received.

[illegible] RECORD NO [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND "GRIPPED EDGE"
DATE: 1797
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3c. Rarity 7. ~~About~~ Good 4. Another. <BI>Struck over a Large Cent<B>. Gripped edge. ~~4.84 grams.~~ 7.47 grams
GRADE QUAL: AG
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: The fields are black to medium brown with lighter devices. Numerous shallow scratches are visible on the entire coin, especially on the obverse. Struck a bit off center toward 12 o'clock, and during its circulation, obtained a number of minor marks, nicks and even some porosity. Tied with ~~others~~ one of for the sixth best in the Condition Census. At the center of the reverse, the U of UNITED is clearly visible from the Large Cent, as is the O of ONE below the last S in STATES. ~~Not only is this an extremely rare <MI>"Gripped Edge"<M>, but also is struck on a large cent, the most difficult planchet stock to find! An extraordinary example of this important sub-variety and we can not think of a more unusual combination of rarities all in one coin!~~

Cohen 3c
One of only two known "Gripped Edge" Large Cents
Cohen 3c

DIE STATE: Early die state before the cracks appeared.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from a Kagin Sale.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-422
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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~~Tied with one other coin for sixth finest known of the 1797 type coin.~~

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: BEAUTIFUL 1800 HALF CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. ~~Another. 5.46 grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: A delightful example of the late die state; the obverse is a lustrous tan and steel color, while the ~~back~~ is an even steel gray, ~~over~~. Minor spotting on ~~either side~~, one just above Liberty's ribbon, another tiny one at the top of the wreath. Also, a small area of black corrosion resides below Fl to the wreath, with another light area above HALF. The surfaces are immaculate, with no evidence of mishandling or abuse, ~~making this an excellent coin for either the type or variety collector~~. Plated obverse and reverse in both editions of Roger's book.
DIE STATE: Late die state with weak dentils.
PEDIGREE: Purchased with the collection of Ray D. Muse and earlier from ~~Lester Merkin's Sale, September 1968, 10C/41~~.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-423
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

COIN RECORD NO. 110

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen I. Rarity I. Very Fine 20. ~~Left serif of M missing.~~ 187: ~~pair of borrfer helw P, one berry either side of bow. 5:00 grame.~~

GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Nice surfaces for the grade, ~~although one small patch of red corrosion is located in the right obverse field, before~~ Liberty's eye, and a shallow scratch extends from the back of Liberty's ribbon to the rim. Additionally, ~~the reverse has some shallow rim marks, above M, M, between P and A, and another above R.~~ Plated as the "Early State" obverse and reverse of Roger's second edition.
DIE STATE: Early die state with clash marks from the LI of Liberty above NI on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from R. R. Johnsen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-426
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: DAZZLING ~~MINT STATE~~ 1800 HALF CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. ~~Another 5.95 grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces that are nearly free of contact marks or other signs of contact. Struck from rusted dies with a halo of roughness about the periphery of the obverse and reverse. Identifiable by a tiny mark above F2 and a lump on the edge of the coin at 3 o'clock (apparently caused by a the collar during striking). Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Rusted State" and in Breen's Half Cent book as "State II". ~~A dazzling Half Cent and one of the most beautiful of Roger's early Draped Bust HALF Cents.~~ No prime 18th die state known to exist. (FEW)
DIE STATE: ~~Struck from rusted dies~~, both obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Del Bland, earlier Hugh Campbell
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-424
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN/LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] COIN RECORD NO. 102

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 55.~~ Another. ~~5-61~~ ~~grams.~~
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 55
DESCRIP: Beautiful tan and steel color with lustrous surfaces throughout. Tiny gold toning spots on ~~either side~~ two on the obverse, and several small ones on the reverse. Roller marks on Liberty, ~~as well as some faint circulation marks. Nearly Mint State, and worth careful evaluation.~~
DIE STATE: Late die state with a die crack connecting the top of NI.
PEDIGREE: ~~From Stack's Sale, December 1970, Lot 517~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-430
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

LIST: Cohen, Record No. 143

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 55.~~ Another ~~5.36~~ 5.27 ~~grams~~.
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: ~~55~~ 50
DESCRIP: Faded mint red color that produces a campfire glow in the fields from the remaining luster. Nicely centered on the obverse is a dark toning area, with a few minute spots on either side, which are about the only signs of age to note the passage of the last 192 years. ~~A vivid coin that should please the most fastidious collector.~~
DIE STATE: Struck from rusted dies and with weak dentils.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from the 1966 ANA Sale, Lot 1380
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-425
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] COIN RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. ~~5.42 grams~~ 83.6 grains
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: Nice for the grade, with medium brown color. The reverse was plated in the first edition of Roger's book as the reverse of 1802 Cohen-1.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-429
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Large Cent Record No. [illegible]

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	1800 HALF CENT STRUCK OVER A 1798 LARGE CENT
DATE:	1800
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Good 4. Another. Struck on a "spoiled" 1798 Large Cent. ~~Fair green.~~
GRADE QUAL:	GD
GRADE NO:	4
DESCRIP:	Lightly cleaned long ago to a brassy brown, and should continue retoning to a natural brown. The fields are lightly porous with some trivial pitting in the field before Liberty's chin. As Roger Cohen predicted in his first edition, some 1800 Half Cents were struck on spoiled (off center) Large Cent planchets and this coin was found by him shortly after the initial publication of his book. The tops of 798 are sharp through RTY on the obverse, and the reverse has an indentation where the off center Large Cent was struck. Plated in Roger's second edition as the "Large Cent Planchet" and a coin which gave him great pleasure by fulfilling the prediction made in his first edition.
DIE STATE:	Late die state with ~~rust and~~ die bulge above NIT [illegible]
PEDIGREE:	Purchased from Coin Galleries mail bid sale, February, 1977, Lot 44[illegible]
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	1.
OWNER NO:	2-[illegible]27
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

THE COIN, RECORD NO. 106

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE STRUCK OVER A LARGE CENT
DATE: 1800
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Good 4. Another. Struck over a Large Cent. ~~3.06 grams~~ 7.8 grams
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color with several small marks visible on the obverse, which may have been caused by the host Large Cent. The ON of ONE CENT is sharply impressed where the fraction of the Half Cent ought to be, as well as a significant portion of the wreath to the left. One of only ~~half a dozen or~~ so known to show ~~the~~ Large Cent undertype, ~~so clearly, and worthy of the finest collection. Another important approximate~~
right to be
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Possibly from K.P. Austin, although the source of this coin is not certain.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: Z-428
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: [illegible] RECORD N[illegible] 107[illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE: *Reverse of [illegible]*
FEATURES: EXTREMELY RARE 1802, 2 over 0 COHEN-1 HALF CENT
DATE: 1802#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Good 6. Overdate; single leaves at top of wreath, [illegible] either side of bow [illegible].94 grams. *76.2 grains*
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown [illegible] and choice surfaces for the grade. One tiny scrape in the field before Liberty's eye and a nick below the 80 of the date are the only marks worthy of note on the obverse; the reverse with a myriad of tiny circulation marks, two above the 00 of the fraction, another on the upper tip of the first S of STATES. Near[illegible] impossible to find in any grade, the Finest Known must be stretched to reach Very Fine. In fact, this coin, in only Good condition, still resides in the Condition Census as the tenth best seen currently. One of the most sought after varieties and needed by virtually every collector, [illegible] coin is expected to see furious bidding.

[illegible] the [illegible] Specimen [illegible] [illegible] SPR[illegible]

DIE_STATE: By 1801 the Mint found itself in another production bind [illegible] all available Half Cent planchets were coined in [illegible] 1800 with more planchets expected from Boulton [illegible] in England. However, none would arrive until [illegible] 1803 from this primary source of copper planchets. Nevertheless [illegible] orders for Half Cents continued to arrive, with [illegible] in sight from Boulton. [illegible] accumulate spoiled Large Cents and [illegible] into Half Cents. When a large number was available, [illegible] carefully punched over the final 0 of an existing [illegible] die (the same 2 punch was used on Dimes and Quarter Eagle dies of 1802) and the old rusted and worn reverse die was once again pressed into service. Only a few were struck with this combination, making one of the most difficult to find varieties of the entire Half Cent series.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond, earlier Del Bland and Kenneth Satoris
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-431

[illegible] and is much more attractive than four of the coins listed above it in the CC.

SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Half Cent, Record No. 106

DENOM: [illegible]
TYPE: [illegible]
FEATURES: ATTRACTIVE 1802, 2 OVER 0 COHEN-2
DATE: 1802
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Overdate; two leaves at right top of wreath, ~~no berry right of bow~~. 5.27 grams. 81 3 91 0 1 5
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20 ~~retail 25~~
DESCRIP: Attractive surfaces and dark brown color with lighter shades surrounding the devices. Glossy on ~~either side~~ both sides. Details of a higher grade, but there are a number of minor circulation marks on the obverse including some long, but very shallow, marks above the ribbon and on Liberty's face and jaw. ~~On balance, far better than these are usually found, and considered to be~~ The fifth best in the Condition Census ~~for the variety~~.
DIE STATE: Early die state before the extensive rust appears along the periphery.
PEDIGREE: From New England Rare Coin Galleries, earlier Del Bland and Hugh Campbell.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-432
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO. 109

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.07 grams~~
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown throughout and very pleasing. One hidden scratch is visible along the drapery lines to the right rim, as well as some others on and near Liberty. On the reverse, a single rim bump is located beneath the final 0 in the fraction. Plated in Roger's second edition as the "Rusted State".
DIE STATE: Struck from very rusted dies that show numerous raised marks in the fields, mostly along the periphery of the obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Benjamin M. Douglas
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-431
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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GENUS:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Fine 12. Another. Undertype from the Large Cent visible on the obverse. ~~6.11 grams~~ 7.93 grams

GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Medium brown with red highlights on the obverse, even color on the reverse. Struck over a spoiled Large Cent (as were most 1802 Half Cents), but on this example, the CEN of CENT from the Large Cent is visible on and before Liberty's chin. Only a few examples show the undertype this clearly. If one must be picky, a few tiny spots are visible on the obverse, but these are the norm for 1802 Half Cents. ~~An impressive example of this extremely difficult with undertype variety, and one that possesses the number of very important Half Cent collectors and dealers. Certainly, perhaps the finest specimen seen.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state without the rust seen on later issues.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from our Ruby Sale, February 1974, Lot 217; earlier E.R. Alvord (via S.H. Chapman Sale, June 1924, Lot 76, Hillyer Ryder via Wayte Raymond's Auction, February 1947, Lot 48.

PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-434
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Alvord Lot 76 - Hillyer Ryder - Wayte Raymond Feb. 1947 Lot 48.
Superior Ruby, February 1974 Lot 217 - Upper check of the
Alvord plate. Roger discovered the two coins matching exactly
especially the E of Liberty check.

FILE: [illegible] RECORD NO: [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity-3. Good 5. Another. With the Large Cent undertype visible. ~~4.43 grams.~~ 75.8 grains.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Medium brown with rough surfaces. Struck over a cut down Large Cent with ES from STATES clearly visible on the obverse before Liberty's bust and neck; on the reverse a few lower drapery lines are impressed above ERI. Some minor circulation marks are present, but still pleasing for the grade. ~~An important opportunity for the half cent collector.~~ Interesting
DIE STATE: ~~Probably the early die state, although the condition makes it difficult to determine.~~
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-436
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 112

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1802
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1802, 2 over 0. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. ~~5.09 grams~~ 7.6 grams
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Struck on a poor planchet that has extensive roughness over ~~most~~ Nearly of the obverse, much cleaner on the reverse. Dark brown ~~color~~ with some minor marks on the ES and rim.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's, February 1972.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-435
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: COLLECT RECORD NO. 14A

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
M MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 33. Close 03; fraction bar joined to right ribbon. ~~Imp at top of 8. 5.39 grams~~ 86.39 grams
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but some small circulation marks, lower the net grade. Why don't our coins look quite nice for the variety. On the reverse, a small corrosion spot has taken up residence above the NT of CENT, as well as a few other scattered microscopic ones. Plated in both editions of Roger's book and difficult to find any better.
DIE STATE: Early die state before the reverse crack develops.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-437
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD No. 114

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 1. ~~Very~~ Fine 30. Another. ~~5.44 grams.~~ 84.9 grains
GRADE QUAL: ~~VF~~ EF
GRADE NO: 20 45
DESCRIP: Medium brown with lighter fields near the devices, providing a halo effect. Smooth and glossy surfaces, free of most signs of handling except on the reverse where a ~~drill~~ mark is located ~~on and~~ near the 1 of the fraction. On balance, a beautiful coin ~~that should attract well deserved attention.~~
DIE STATE: An example of the intermediate reverse die state with the crack from T2 through the wreath, top of F2, out the rim via the left side of M.
PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Phillip Showers
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-438
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Estimate 45

Good photo

35

[illegible]

Medium brown with the lighter fields near the devices providing the sharpness of VF 30. However there is detached hair at the legends on the reverse, which indicates that color in the legends on the reverse is not consistent for the one was not well struck which is not uncommon for this variety. The Integrade's reduced from 50 to 45 due to a much detached through the [illegible] the [illegible] of note.

FILE: [illegible] RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity-1. Very Fine 20. Another. ~~5.39 grams~~ 83.29gr
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20 (VF-20)
DESCRIP: Nice medium brown color with darker outlines near the devices and smooth, glossy surfaces. A small rim bump is located between RT on the obverse, while the reverse has a number of tiny marks, mostly at the center and left side. These marks are trivial in nature and not distracting.
DIE STATE: Late reverse die state with the primary crack now branching through the L of HALF, down through EN of CENT and out the rim via the N of UNITED.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-439
SOR SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD No. 446

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine ~~or ~~ Another. <BI>Bluntly struck on an underweight planchet<B>. 4.62 grams. 71.3 grains
GRADE QUAL: VF EF (Sell STONE
GRADE NO: 20 45
DESCRIP: Details, where struck, of Extremely Fine, but very weakly struck on the upper obverse and lower reverse. As the planchet is underweight, by about 20%, the collar or coining press did not allow this planchet to be fully struck. Little hair detail is present and only the bottoms of RTY are visible of LIBERTY. While the reverse is weak on UN, CA, fractfon and lower portion of the wreath. Free of circulation defects, but an obverse spot is located behind the ribbon as well as one on the reverse below E4.
DIE STATE: Later die state with the two cracks on the reverse with a new light crack above the M running along the tops of ER.

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-440
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible]

cindery rude coins are [illegible] Rather we all be tested [illegible] [illegible] such coins appear after only a little circulation. The [illegible] are [illegible] coins

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. <BI>Double struck on both sides.<B> 5.65 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Struck a touch off center and restruck, with the dramatic doubling on all outer devices as seen on slightly shifted double struck coins. Lovely surfaces which are free of abrasions or other signs of contact and exhibit a choice dark brown color.
DIE_STATE: Intermediate die state with the single reverse die crack.
PEDIGREE: From the Ray D. Munde collection.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-441
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_DT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LEF COIN RECORD NO. 514

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Another. 5.54 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Choice tan ~~color~~ with minor verdigris touching the devices. A common coin, but this is one ~~of~~ with the ~~rare~~ late reverse die state examples.
DIE STATE: Late reverse die state with cracks above ME, another along the tops of ITED.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from W.K. Raymond
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-442
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

the die state is NOT RARE

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 20. Close 03. T in CENT has no left serif. 5.64 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Well up in the Condition Census as the 6th best seen and certain to attract the attention of specialists as such. An absolutely gorgeous coin, medium to dark chocolate brown color with unusually attractive surfaces. Only minute circulation marks can be found, as are a number of nearly invisible scratches on Liberty, all requiring a glass to see. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>.
DIE STATE: Early die state for the reverse, before the rim break above STAT, although light cracks are visible through most of the upper legend.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: E
OWNER NO: 2-443
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN TO:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 420

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FINEST KNOWN 1803 COHEN-2 WITH THE REVERSE RIM BREAK
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.59 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: Even, dark milk chocolate color throughout. One first notices a shallow planchet lamination from Liberty's forehead, just touching the serif of V, to the rim. There is some shallow and really minor pitting on the jaw, neck and drapery. Otherwise, all is as it should be, charming color and surfaces, and a great rarity in any grade. In fact, this coin is the Finest Known with the reverse ~~die~~ rim break ~~cud~~ and the third finest of the ~~entire~~ variety. The reverse is plated in the second edition of Roger's book.
DIE STATE: Late reverse die cracks after the cud well developed over ~~STAT~~ and struck before the die completely chipped away as seen by the definition at the base of the ~~cud~~. Once the ~~cud~~ fully developed, no definition is apparent, only a large lump where the die has pulled away or fallen completely off.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar, earlier Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-444
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

LE- COIN RECORD NO. 121

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another 4.85 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: A second example with the [illegible] over STAT. Black to dark brown with moderate porosity on [illegible] side. One single mark in Liberty's hair, [illegible] visible due to the porosity. Nonetheless, a [illegible] die state and [illegible] desirable.
DIE STATE: Identical to the preceeding example, the [illegible] over STAT shows only a bit of definition from the higher rim to the field above the lettering, and this piece soon fell from the die or was pushed above any planchets struck much later.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's store stock [illegible]
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-445
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGNLOT:
EST VALUE:
RESAVE:

THE COHEN RECORD NO. 122

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Good 6. 03 wide. The Cross-Eyed 3 Reverse ~~00 nearly touch, right serif at base of R2 missing~~. 5.38 grams
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4.5
DESCRIP: One of the very few early die state examples seen, no trace of the bulge at 18, or any clash marks or file marks on the obverse or reverse. Dark brown with lighter devices. A single mark before Liberty's nose, otherwise very clean for the grade. The reverse die is rotated about 30<198> clockwise.
DIE STATE: Perfect die coins such as this are ~~just about impossible to locate in any grade~~.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-449
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 123

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. 5.50 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown with clash marks under Liberty's chin and hair ribbons, and ~~we~~ no bulge through the 18 of date or file marks under "LIBERTY". ~~One mark mid field before Liberty's chin, the reverse with several small pit marks, one above H, another between LE, and lightly below.~~ ~~acquired during its foray in circulation.~~ Plated in Roger's first and second edition as the "First Use" for the variety.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-448
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

No Rev Bulge
Clash marks

This is a remarkably early state complete with the clash marks before the hair, but also the die lapping at the base of the

Cohen's PVAP & other limited

LF: Cohen, RECORD No. 124

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CLASSICAL 1803 COHEN-3
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 55.~~ Another 5.64 grams.
GRADE QUAL: ~~AU~~ MS
GRADE NO: ~~55~~
DESCRIP: ~~Alluring color and surfaces that could easily be called Mint State, but we'll be conservative and keep it just out of that catagory.~~ Medium brown to golden tan, ~~and quite beautiful throughout. Rarely are Draped Bust Half Cents~~ found with this much ~~color~~ and ~~such~~ pristine surfaces. Early enough reverse die state so most of the leaves show all their veins. ~~Rated as the 7th best in Roger's Condition Census for the variety and~~ Plated in both editions of ~~his~~ Roger's book as the "Second Use" of this die pairing.
DIE STATE: Die file marks, clash marks ~~and~~ bulged at the date, as are most of this variety.
PEDIGREE: Purchased with the collection of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-446
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Mint State 60

60

Several Finest Known.

Add Early Second Use Clash

[illegible] RECORD NO: [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Another. 5.61 grams.
GRADE QUAL: AU
55 GRADE NO: 50
DESCRIP: Choice golden tan ~~color~~, with lustrous surfaces. Weakly struck as the dies continued to break, mostly on the reverse below ATE and on Liberty's shoulder. Four tiny marks in the left obverse field and a few faint others scattered about. One of the really choice examples of this variety. ~~and thought to be the 5th best in Dr. [illegible] Condition census for the variety.~~
DIE STATE: The reverse crack extends from T3 to the rim over the M.
PEDIGREE: Ex Jones
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-447
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3 ~~Very~~ Fine 35. Close 03, two berries below T2. 5.35 grams.
GRADE QUAL: ~~up~~ EF
GRADE NO: ~~35~~ 40
DESCRIP: Dark brown with a number of lighter red spots on the obverse, ~~perhaps from an old cleaning.~~ Struck from a rotated reverse die, a full 180<198> as often seen on this ~~elusive~~ variety. One small mark at the base of Liberty's neck, otherwise superb. ~~An excellent coin for the variety collector.~~ Tied with three others for fourth finest known.
DIE STATE: Clash marks clearly visible on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's Sale, ~~February~~ March 1973, Lot 39
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-451
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN RECORD No 27

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 25. Another 5.47 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Mottled color varying from brown to tan and red ~~deep~~ glossy surfaces. The red spots on the obverse are patches of corrosion. A few minor circulation marks, but none of consequence. On balance, beautiful coin, ~~and certain to please most collectors.~~
DIE_STATE: Usual clash marks on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Purchased from Stack's
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-450
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LIST COINS RECORD NO. 128

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.43 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Pleasing milk chocolate color with a single mark through C2, otherwise free of annoying marks.
DIE STATE: Lightly clashed reverse die.
PEDIGREE: From the collection of Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-455
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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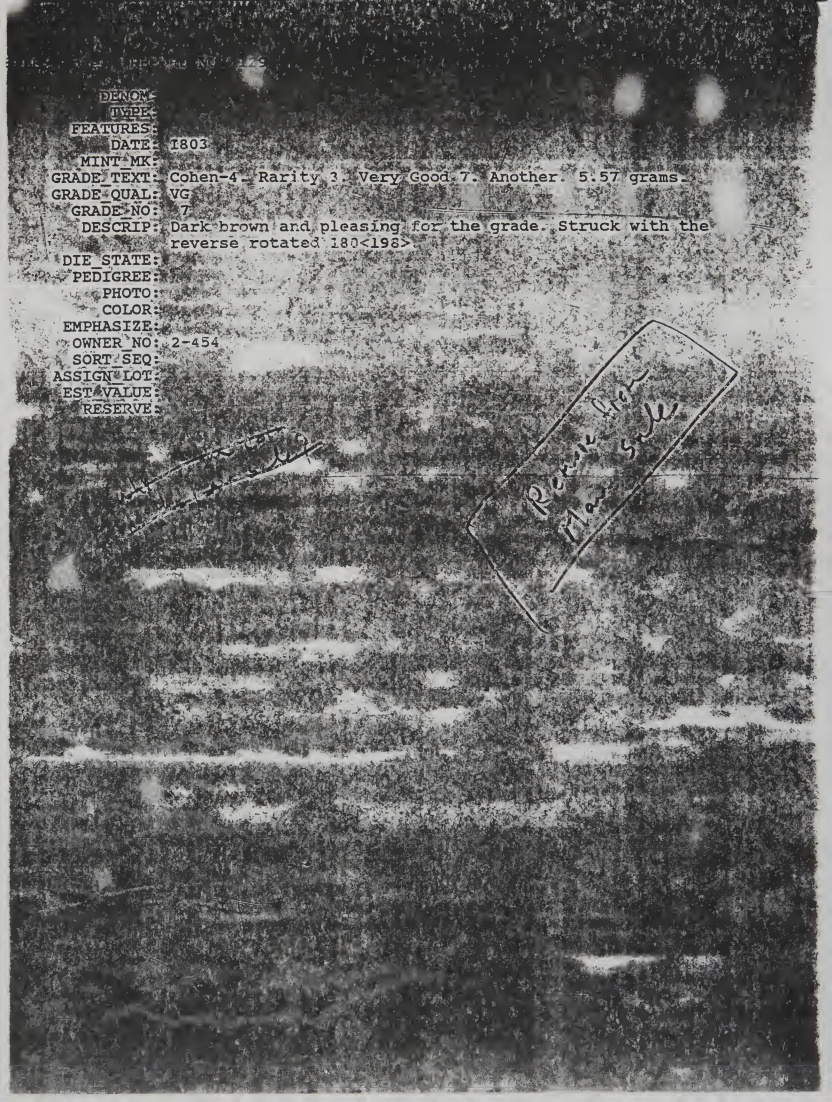
RECORD NO: 128

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 7. Another. 5.57 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark brown and pleasing for the grade. Struck with the reverse rotated 180<198>
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-454
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:



FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 140

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. <BI>Double Struck.<B> 5.38 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: Smooth, medium brown surfaces ~~that are free of serious contact marks~~ with contact marks that are consistent with the grade. Double struck with the outline of Liberty's neck and chin above the 3 in the date to the base of her neck. There is no trace of the prior strike on the reverse.

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-453
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, Record No. 151

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1803
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. About Good 3. Another. <BI>Struck off center. <B> 4.76 grams.
GRADE QUAL: AG
GRADE NO: 3
DESCRIP: Struck about 10% off center toward Liberty's bust. The surfaces are moderately porous, but well struck and without other defects. ~~One of the many strong points of this collection is the number of dramatic errors and unusual planchet Half Cents. As since our Rubi Sale here a number of errors and irregular planchet Half Cents been available and this sale will clearly be the high water mark to date of these additions.~~
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO:
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine ~~to~~ High crosslet 4 nearly touches bust, ~~00 nearly touch, right serif of E3 missing~~ 5.65 grams The Cross Field Reverse
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40 45 Choice
DESCRIP: Attractive reddish brown color with red hints near the devices. Smooth surfaces, but not glossy, and very harmonious. ~~One tiny speck between the mouth and rim as well as nearly invisible scrapes on either side, all microscopic in nature.~~ ~~Close to Condition Census for the variety and~~ Plated as "State I" in Walter Breen's Half Cent Encyclopedia. ~~A stunning coin, indeed.~~ a heavy no reverse die break
DIE STATE: Early die state ~~but~~ with the reverse crack visible
PEDIGREE: Ex Bill Weber, earlier Hugh Campbell
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-456
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE: High

Little film known and possibly fixed for fourth time

Minor defects entirely consistent with the grade

Lustrous slightly toned surfaces with a few scattered marks

Cent #1

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen- Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another. 5.42 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 15
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but burnished on ~~either side~~ both sides. Still a few scratches are visible, one long one in the left obverse field.
DIE STATE: Similar die state to the preceeding lot.
PEDIGREE: From A-Mark Coins
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-457
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another. 5.51 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but with several digs on the obverse and reverse, with scrapes before Liberty's eye. Otherwise ~~Nevertheless~~, the color is ~~choice~~ outstanding for and ~~both~~ reverse die cracks ~~are~~ is present.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From the collections of ~~W.K. Weber~~, earlier Bill Weber and Paul Seitz
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-466
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

I carefully read the one rev. break

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 7. Another 5.35 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Medium brown with some initials (ATC) in the right field and a spot on Liberty's shoulder. Other scratches in the left field and on the reverse take their toll, but this is still a rare early die state with the reverse crack just beginning.
DIE STATE: Early die state with only a portion of the reverse crack visible.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-458
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: [illegible] PAGE NO: 186

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another: 5.32 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown, nearly black ~~in color~~, with light porosity throughout. Plated in the Roger's first edition as the obverse for the Cohen-3 variety of this year.
DIE STATE: Early Die State of the reverse. It should be noted that all 1804-C's that FEW have ever seen without the reverse crack are in Very Good or less.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-464
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 6. Another. 5.26 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: Attractive medium brown color with a faint scratch in the right obverse field and a small mark behind Liberty's lower curls, also in the field. No die sinking is visible and the crack is present, but weak. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book as the "First Use".
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-465
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

LOT RECORD NO. 14

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Fine 12. Another 5.80 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12 /D
DESCRIP: Attractive golden tan ~~in color~~ and recovering from ~~an heavy~~ ancient ~~cleaning~~ cleaned. However, there are a number of small pits and scrapes on the obverse and a rim mark above the E, the reverse is more pleasing. Sharp detail on Liberty and the reverse. ~~remarks~~
DIE STATE: The reverse crack is present, but weak to the right of F2.
PEDIGREE: Purchased at the 1971 ANA Convention
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-459
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] RECORD [illegible]

DENOM:
TY:
FEATU:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-I. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.71 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10 VG Fine
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields coupled with lighter devices produce a natural aura. However, there are a number of faint scratches across Liberty's curls.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die is beginning to fail, with sinking on the ES, weakening these letters and surrounding devices. The obverse crack through the tops of IBERTY is visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-460
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Reverse crack thickening at TE

The reverse crack is thickening, especially at TE

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 7. Another 5.30 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark milk chocolate ~~color~~ with two visible, although small spots. One of these is located just before Liberty's forehead, the other on the reverse below E1. Fewer handling marks than one would expect for the grade and a scarce issue to find.
DIE_STATE: The obverse crack is just starting through the tops of IBERTY while the reverse break is strong. F.- TE Through F.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-461
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-I: Rarity 3: Very Fine 30: Another 5.65 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30
DESCRIP: Details of Extremely Fine but Liberty was scraped on her lower neck and shoulder. These scrapes are visible, but completely toned over and don't detract as much as one would expect. The reverse die has really deteriorated and shows massive sinking through the ES and tops of the wreath. Extremely rare in this grade and collectors would do well to purchase such a difficult coin in this grade whenever one is discovered. Plated in the second edition of Roger's work as the "Second Use" and one of the most beautiful examples of this die sinking in this extensive run of multiple die states.

DIE STATE: By the time this example was coined, the reverse die had one foot out the door on the way to the corn mill. Extensive sinking weakens every detail above and to the right of the crack. A secondary crack impales A2, the wreath and joins the primary crack in F2 at the center of the reverse. As Roger details in his second edition, this reverse has been paired with three separate obverse dies, two of them at least [illegible] making for five distinct issues. What's more, after a number of 1804 dollars were struck (first use 197, 2nd reverse crack), the mint coined additional 1803 Cohen-I's (second use 1[illegible]) with the reverse crack. The reverse crack clearly shows that little attention was paid to the date on the obverse die, and many examples of post dated issues have been found in virtually every denomination of United States coinage, much to the delight of numismatic scholars.

PEDIGREE: From the collection of Ray D. Munde, earlier Jon Hansen, Walter Breen and the Brobston Collection.

PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-462
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Add brk from F/Half to 1st of Accr. & ES 15

+ Wk

The additional break from F[illegible] to the first Half

INFER Ch. and ES of STATES are very weak

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.74 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: Brown ~~in color~~ with hints of blue from ~~an old~~ cleaning, now fully retoned. A rim mark is located at 3 o'clock on the obverse and normal handling marks are visible, as expected for this grade. This is the plate coin for the first edition of Roger's book as the "Second Use".
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the obverse crack visible through the tops of IBERTY and both reverse cracks are present.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-463
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

The second of STATES

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE DISCOVERY 1804 COHEN-2 ~~RARITY~~
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 5. About Good 3. ~~Low crescent 4:00 nearly~~ Another
~~touch, right foot of F2 missing~~ 4.76 grams
GRADE_QUAL: AG
GRADE NO: 3
DESCRIP: Dark tan ~~color~~ with some darker brown ~~hugging~~ the devices. The surfaces have a number of problems, first the entire obverse has been scratched with fine marks and buffed, the reverse is also scratched and has rough areas on the left side, which obliterate much of ITED ST. ~~But these problems fade when one considers the great rarity of this issue. For~~ 13 Only ~~clouer~~ are currently known, this being the ~~eighth~~ best to represent the die pairing. Plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>. ~~And one of the most desirable varieties in the Half Cent series.~~ ninth
DIE STATE: Early die state without the rim break over ERTY on the obverse, and only the beginnings of the long die crack from the 4 to bust, although the condition makes the state of this crack uncertain. Mike Packard carefully examined this coin and noted that there is a low area above ERTY where the cud eventually forms, which he believes was caused when the sliver of the obverse die (as the cud was forming) was actually <BI>lower<B> than the striking surface of the die. This broken piece would have soon fallen from the die, creating the famous ERTY cud seen on the next two examples of this great rarity. Mike knows of only five examples of "retained cuds" in the entire Half Cent series: one on the reverse of 1803 Cohen-2, another on the obverse of 1804 Cohen-9 and two examples on the obverse of 1808 Cohen-2. ~~Interested collectors should examine this coin for only once in a great while are <H>any<N> (much less 4!) examples of this rarity available.~~
PEDIGREE: From the collections of Ray D. Munde, Jon Hansen, W.K. Raymond, Jon Hansen and Hazelcorn
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER NO: 2-467
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Hazelcorn

Mr. Hazelcorn probably [illegible] that the low grade coin [illegible] Low [illegible] a reverse the [illegible] expect to see. Usually [illegible] Another are not [illegible] the high grade [illegible] a [illegible] usual die state.

RT
Low
Rec
RF
RC
RT
Rt
Tree
ERT
Pen
Wide
like RT

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FINEST KNOWN 1804 COHEN-2 WITH THE OBVERSE RIM BREAK
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 7. Very Good 8. ~~Another~~ <BI>Heavy obverse rim break over ERTY<B>. 5.40 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields with the devices just a bit lighter, ~~producing a handsome look on this great rarity. Even the casual observer can understand why this is such a rare variety, for the obverse die cracked severely in two places. The first crack appears at the crocelet of the 4, it extends to Liberty's drapery folds where it branches, one to the rim, the other up into the field parallel to the rim and out on the rim just above Liberty's eye. The second crack appears above ERTY, and quickly becomes a heavy cud over these letters. Wonderful color and surfaces.~~ Although a tiny spot of corrosion is located in the field before Liberty's eye, another patch on the lower reverse near the fraction and one rim mark is visible above the M on the reverse. Weakly struck on the 18 of date and ED ST on the reverse. ~~These little problems do not detract from this extremely rare coin and are commented upon as additional information for future reference than to detract from it. It is the <MI>Finest Known<M> example with the obverse rim break and the obverse is plated in Roger's second edition of <MI>American Half Cents<M>, certainly a premier rarity in the series and one of only two regular issue die pairings to earn the rarity rating.~~
DIE STATE: Heavy rim ~~cud~~ over ERTY on the obverse, the tops of the letters missing. The long obverse crack from the 4 to below the Y is visible too.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER NO: 2-468
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Attractive

The key obverse, the Cross-Eyed Zer

Rim

Very rare, Finest Known

FILE [illegible] RECORD NO: 145

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: UNPRECEDENTED THIRD 1804 COHEN-2
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 7. Good 6. Another. Rim break over ERTY. 5.19 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: Charming medium brown with a darker area behind Liberty on the obverse, evenly toned on the reverse. Crocke surfaces that exhibit only a few tiny pits below and left of the ribbon, while the reverse has some hidden marks; one left of H, another between the upper wreath leaves and a final pit below F2. Minutely porous on the reverse. Nevertheless, this is another excellent example of this great rarity and rated in Roger's Note as the 4th best in his Condition Concus of the 14 known. A coup for the connoisseur that has waited too long to find one undistributed.
DIE STATE: Latest die state of the three offered, the obverse die crack is visible from the 4 up to the rim before Liberty's eye. Also, the die cud is fully rounded, and likely that portion of the die had completely broken away.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ed Antz
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: W
OWNER NO: 2-469
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

COHEN RECORD NO. 1-6

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: NOTE FOR FRANK: PLACE AT END OF 1804 COHEN-2
DATE: 1803 WRL
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: NOTE: The coins originally listed in Roger's first edition of <BI>American Half Cents<R> as 1804 Cohen-3 were delisted in his second edition. The reason for this confusion was that early in the striking of 1804 Cohen-5, the obverse die was damaged, producing the "Spiked Chin" obverse. In Roger's first edition, this early striking was given a separate variety number, as Cohen-3. It is now known that it is only an early die state of the pair of dies used to produce Cohen-5 and therefore should not be a separate variety, but merely an early die state or "First Use" of the Cohen-5 die pairing.

GRADE QUAL:
GRADE NO:
DESCRIP:
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-000
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE COIN, RECORD NO. 147

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Very Good-8. ~~Low crosslet 4, 1 in fraction equally spaced between knot and fraction bar.~~ 5.50 grams
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: Mottled black and brown surfaces that show light porosity and roughness. A glass reveals scattered marks on the obverse, mostly in the field before Liberty's face with the most noticable being a pit near the rim opposite the tip of her nose, ~~which identifies this as the Gilbert plate coin.~~ On the reverse is a single rim mark above the right side of U and a pit below A3. An excellent example of a ~~very~~ rare coin and one with a particularly good list of prior owners
DIE STATE: Early die state with the reverse cracks weak or ~~invisible.~~
PEDIGREE: From the collections of William R. Weber, R. Tettenhorst, Philip M. Showers, ~~Colonel Green~~ and Commodore W. C. Eaton
PHOTO: Dupont 1074
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-472
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Also Red Book listing

Plate in Gilbert plate coin

Plate in the Red Book Great Lot 1959 through at least 1976.

THE COHEN RECORD NO. 1

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Very Good 7. Another. 5.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7 Hirds
DESCRIP: A ~~second~~ example of this rare die pairing. ~~Free of other significant contact marks, this rarity should bring a strong price in spite of its slightly rough fields.~~ The surfaces are dark, with the odd green light porosity and resulting dullness on either side. ~~Such is the fate of copper, for over long periods of time, nearly all copper coinage becomes exposed to the elements and the inevitable porosity appears. One glance at a grey pile of ancient bronze coins tells the story, for nearly all are pocked with this porosity, as second nature appears to the ravages of time, climate, utterly changes the surfaces from smooth to rough and pitted.~~
DIE STATE: It is difficult to discern the die state as the porosity hides the extent of the cracks. The reverse crack from the Z through the UNITED is visible, but very weak as are the cracks above A1 and F1.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWER NO:
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Bathed in

Numerous pits and

Overlaid by

2-72 The surfaces are dark, with light porosity resulting in dullness on both sides, otherwise this specimen is free of any significant contact marks.

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 470

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-4. Rarity 5. Fine 12. Another 5.38 grams.
GRADE QUAL:	F
GRADE NO:	12
DESCRIP:	A wonderful example that boasts light brown toning on glossy surfaces. One tiny spot resides left of the L as well as a faint scratch below Liberty's ribbon. Aside from these, the reverse has a minute scrape between ES and another on and above the [illegible] listed in Roger Cohen's Condition Census as the [illegible] for the variety and worthy of the finest collection. In fact, one would be hard put to find a better example. The finest ones appear locked up in famous collections [illegible] today. All best [illegible] pleasing examples. For any [illegible] this grade has its own [illegible] in mind that these coins have [illegible] reminders [illegible] handed by experienced numismatists. They were leafed about in coin purses by [illegible] riders, flung down on the bar at local ale houses, and even [illegible] in dusty [illegible] number of hard-to-find [illegible] today. Collectors should [illegible] the one [illegible] smooth, clean surfaces without the problems seen on so many other little [illegible] Placed in Walter Breen's Half Cent Encyclopedia as "State IV".
DIE STATE:	Although the die state of the previous two examples was difficult to determine, the surfaces of this coin are smooth and the grade is high enough to allow the cracks to be seen. One crack extends from the 2 to the U of UNITED, another from the rim to AL and the last from the rim to the top of the F. The obverse crack from the crosslet of the 4 to the drapery is not yet visible.
PEDIGREE:	Ex William R. Weber
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	L
OWNER NO:	2-470
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

Cohen, RECORD NO. 150

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF 1804 COHEN-5 HALF CENTS
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 10. High crosslet 4 nearly touching bust, ~~nearly all are spiked chin, 1 in fraction equally spaced between bow and fraction bar.~~ 5.31 grams
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium brown and quite pleasing for the grade. Identifiable by a small rim bruise over RT and a small mark under C2. One of the scarce early die states, with the spike, but before the bulge. Plated in Roger's second edition as "Obverse No Bulge".
DIE STATE: One of the most curious die pairings in the entire series, a handful were struck before the famous "Spike" appears ~~then~~ ~~BANG~~, something ~~fell~~ into the die, creating the spiked chin. Later a bulge develops beneath the Y in the field and the reverse die cracks in several places. This particular example has no trace of the bulge and shows the famous spike.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-473
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 151

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another. 5.26 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Free of handling marks, but there is some red corrosion on Liberty, the fields and also on the reverse.
DIE STATE: Early die state with no trace of the bulge, but after the spike.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-477
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen RECORD #: 152

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another 5.47 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Pleasant color on either side, but numerous tiny handling marks are visible throughout. Perhaps used to "sweat" silver or gold coins of the period. Throughout history, opportunists have played games with precious metal coinage. A fake would produce a silver coin with a plain edge. "Clipping" would shave the edge a bit, keeping the silver shavings and spending the now slightly debased coin. Coiners would add reeding or lettering to the edge, covering any clipping. The shavers would then place impurities in the hollow core with the proper Half-cent size. The coiner would shake vigorously, keeping the coin of the proper weight. Now, the coin could be collected for its bullion value. The altered coins could be spent at its face value. The reeded edge could then be removed from the bag and used. Today, the coiners have the upper hand, for all precious metal has been removed from coins, making such practices impossible.
DIE STATE: Early die state with the spike, but no trace of the bulge.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-476
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 155

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 7. Another. 5.36 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 7
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate with lighter obverse devices, evenly colored on the reverse. A small mark above Liberty's jaw. However, the real problems are on the reverse, where a pair of large pits were partially scraped and buffed on F1. Still an interesting coin for the die state specialist ~~and better than we make it sound~~.
DIE STATE: Early state before the bulge and after the spike. A light crack extends through LIBERTY and beyond. ~~The reverse is cracked through the base of most of the legend, and the bisecting crack is starting weak from O to the E~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-474
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

O to U. State R. Dog's Ear is made

The crack from 2 to O and connecting the letters of STATES suggests the dog's ear die state is weak

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 154

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Good 10. Another. 5.47 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Excellent surfaces that are free of significant defects. ~~The only marks are a tiny one just above the drapery and a rim mark above ES on the reverse.~~
DIE STATE: The reverse die is beginning to fall apart, the bisecting reverse crack is nearly complete, and bulges are forming at the bases of ES OF and another through the center of MER.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray Chatham, earlier Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-480
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

"Please say something about the COLOR!"

FILE: Cohen/FROM NO. 1FF

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~MAGNIFICENT~~ 1804 COHEN-5
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.63 grams
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 50
DESCRIP: Medium brown throughout ~~and truly exceptional for this variety.~~ Glossy with smooth surfaces. Nearly free of marks, with a couple of very small ones on Liberty's jaw and another pair in the field below. The reverse has a single depression below I2. Just above the closest leaf. A ~~stunning coin that jumps out at collectors to the wonderful color, resplendent surfaces and superb strike.~~ Well up in Rogers' Condition Census, this being the ~~Finest seen during his years of researching and note cataloging worthy of a runaway price.~~
DIE STATE: ~~A rare state specimen for delight.~~ The obverse has the familiar crack through the tops of LIBERTY and into the field past Y, also the strong bulge before Liberty's face and the impressive "Spiked Chin" with the wavy field before Liberty's neck and above her chest as well as the strong spike from her chin and another from her lips. On the reverse the flower is ~~crested with~~ the sharp bisecting break from A1 to C1, also the break through the bases of UNITED STATES OF AMERI and bulges on ES OF and MER. Another small break is visible above the F to the rim and likely connects with the faint break in the wreath below the O.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber [illegible]
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B [illegible]
OWNER NO: Z-475
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 156

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.52 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color that is even on either side, with pleasing surfaces that are a bit dull. One tiny scratch resides just above Liberty's chest, on the reverse another is below NI and a tiny scrape below the center of M provide identification for future collectors. An excellent coin for the grade ~~and certain to please the serious variety collector.~~
DIE STATE: The reverse die has all the breaks of the previous coin, and a similar obverse state too.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-478
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 157

DENO:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-5. Rarity 4. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Dark glossy brown on the obverse while the reverse is more mottled between dark and medium brown. One small pit is visible at the base of the obverse bulge, before Liberty's spike. Excellent surfaces and most pleasing for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the preceding two examples, bulges everywhere, breaks and a spike too.
PIGREE: Ex Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-479
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 158

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A WONDERFUL ASSORTMENT OF 1804, COHEN-6 DIE STATES
DATE: 1804#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: This particular die pairing produced one of the most fascinating and studied deteriorations in all of American numismatics. The obverse die exhibits the popular "Spiked Chin" while the reverse die begins life in a perfect, early die state and proceeds to crack and chip along much of the legend, with so many different die states that a complete set may require the purchase of nearly every example of this Cohen-6 die pairing. ~~Immerse yourself in this selection as a group of this magnitude has not been available since our Robinson Sale in 1989.~~
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 70
DESCRIP:
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-XXX
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

3:00 PM → Superior will close in 2-3 hrs - Wednesday

Market: A High Grade
B Variety Var
C Unusual die state

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 159

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
123 GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Spiked chin; ~~very close to F2~~ A distinctive [illegible]
engraver's scratch from right stem and. 5.32 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Moderate porosity in the left obverse field and a few small marks on Liberty's neck and bust. Nice color and fields otherwise.
DIE STATE: On the obverse, the "spiked chin" is strong and there is a bulge before Liberty's face. This feature is seen on all examples of this variety. A faint crack is just beginning over the right upright of the M and connects the top of ER. Lastly, there is a tiny die chip at the top left of HI.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-482
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 160

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Good 6. Another 5.13 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: Medium to olive brown ~~in color~~ and with single ~~scatch~~ scratch from the tip of Liberty's nose to the rim.
DIE STATE: The reverse crack now extends along the tops of MERIC and another crack is visible at the tops of D STA. Also, the crack above U is starting.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-483
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: Cents RECORD NO. 161

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. 5.39 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium brown with a number of small marks located at the central obverse.
DIE STATE: In addition to the previous cracks, a crack extends from 20 in the denomination along the tops of UNITE, another from the rims through the tops of OF to above A2. Yet another crack has begun over the M.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-484
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 162

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.23 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: There are two bumps on Liberty's cheek and other less important circulation marks on ~~either side~~ both sides. Clean rims and nice color. ~~otherwise.~~
DIE STATE: Very similar die state to the preceeding, with the crack over T2E2 light.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-481
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

ITEM: Cohen, RECORD NO. 163

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. Another 5.72 grams.
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 50
DESCRIP: ~~as~~ The obverse ~~we find~~ a beautiful olive ~~color~~ over tan while the reverse is just a shade darker, with mint color clinging to the devices. The surfaces are virtually free of circulation marks. ~~and this coin would certainly be the centerpiece of most collections of this important die progression and rated as the ninth best in Roger's Condition Census for the variety.~~ Furthermore, this coin is plated (reverse only) in ~~his~~ second edition for the "Early Die State".
DIE STATE: As the reverse die continues to crack, the break above A2 is heavy along four dentils.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-485
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Plate

Shows the RS Reverse die in the order of the coin in the second edition of order

Thus one of the seventh finest known for the variety.

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FILE: COIN RECORD NO. 164 (27)

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.39 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30
DESCRIP: Mottled with steel blue and olive green that usually are found after an old cleaning. A few spots are visible, one right of the date, another above I2 on the reverse. Well struck and centered. Identifiable by a tiny pit above the fraction, just below the center of the bow.
DIE STATE: The crack above A2 is just starting to thicken ~~above that letter~~. Clash marks are visible. There is now a crack from the top right of I1 to the rim and only the crack extending from the right side of A1 is thick, not extending from the left side over the M ~~we find~~ 3 cracks now and the die is sinking over U. Lastly, the crack thickens between MFR and halfway to the I.
are
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-487
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: CENT RECORD NO: 145

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. 5.37 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium to dark chocolate brown ~~in color~~. One rim mark below the 4, a couple of shallow pin scratches and another rim mark behind Liberty's ribbon are noted. The reverse has minor circulation marks, the worst on the upper leaf in the left branch.
DIE_STATE: The die continues to sink with each coin struck above the UN, the crack over A1 thickens ~~on either side~~.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-486
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE (CHG) RECORD NO. 166

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. 5.48 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Nice medium brown color and marred by a single rim bump above ER on the obverse. ~~Great value for this important die marriage.~~
DIE STATE: A bit later than the previous example, the break over I1 is thick as the is crack from the 2 to the rim.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-488
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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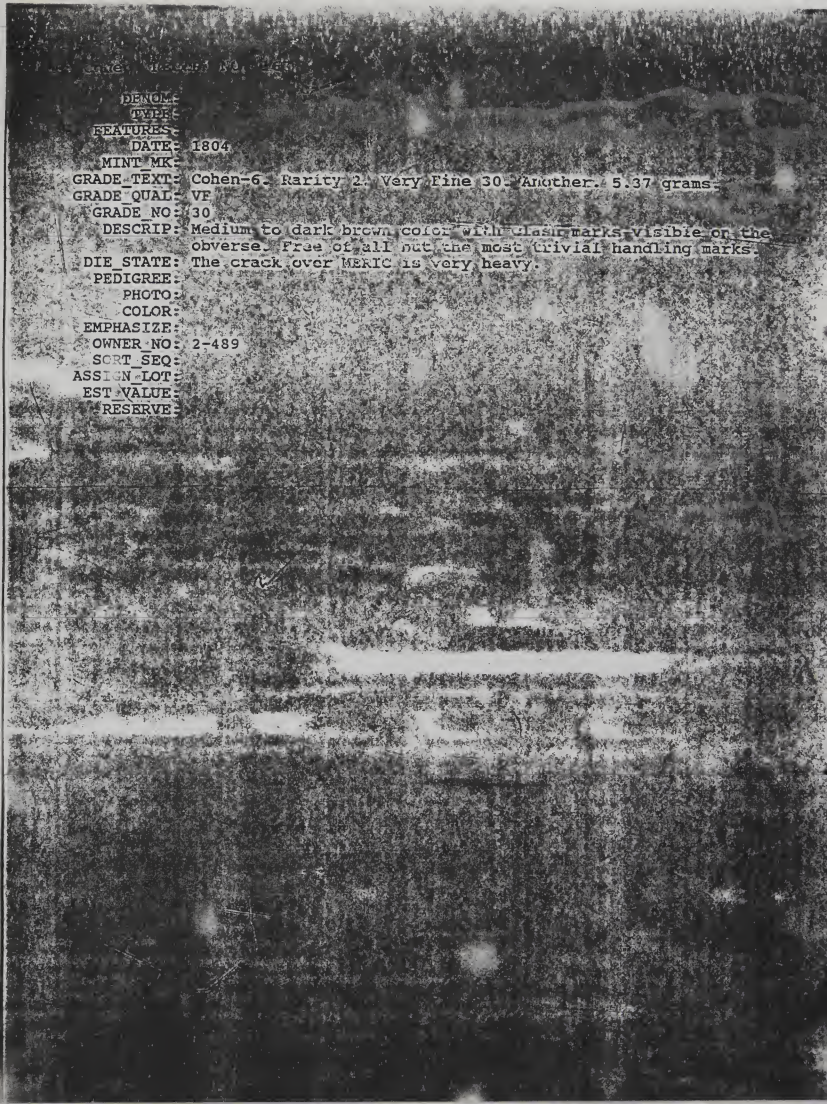

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown color with clash marks visible on the obverse. Free of all but the most trivial handling marks.
DIE_STATE: The crack over MEXIC is very heavy.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-489
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

THE COIN RECORD NO. 168

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: Mottled toning on ~~either side~~ obverse, with most of the coin a medium tan, with pleasing, glossy surfaces. Usual handling marks for the grade, and one with no surprises.
DIE STATE: The reverse has finally begun the ~~long, slow~~ process of sinking above AMERICA, the first step is the formation of the rim break above ME, which still shows detail from the dentils, the chip of the die still firmly attached. ~~though much lower than intended~~.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-490
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

LS Cohen RECORD NO. 169

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another. 5.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Dark brown on the obverse, lighter on the reverse with some mottling. Lovely glossy surfaces on ~~either side~~ both sides, free of significant abrasions. Plated in both editions of Roger's book ~~on Half Cents~~ (reverse only), ~~and important as such~~.
DIE_STATE: The chip continues to push away above ME, with about one-half of the dentils visible above E.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-491
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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Title: Cohen, RECORD NO. 170

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. 5.35 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Usual handling for the grade, but with excellent color throughout. Well balanced.
DIE STATE: The die chip has nearly lost all detail above ME, and the rim above the UN also shows a well developed ~~cud~~ break. A second crack is located beneath the 20 in the fraction.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-493
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO. 47

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good 10. Another. 5.53 grams.
GRADE QUAL:	VG
GRADE NO:	10
DESCRIP:	Dark brown with a hint of roughness on ~~obverse side~~, but not enough to really detract. One spot on the lower left reverse.
DIE_STATE:	The large ~~cud~~ over MERIC has finally formed, greatly advancing the deterioration of this die. Above the UN, the die continues to sink.
PEDIGREE:	
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER NO:	2-492
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE COHEN RECORD NO. 172

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Good 5. Another. 5.14 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown with darker ~~portions~~ areas and numerous circulation marks on ~~either side.~~ both sides
DIE STATE: Similar to the last example, the reverse now has further sinking above the left side of N1.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-500
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

DATA RECORD NO. 173

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12? Another. 5.65 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: olive brown with a few light scratches on Liberty as well as on the central reverse with one red spot under E1.
DIE STATE: The ~~cud~~ extends above MERIC and from the fraction to the tops of UN.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-494
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

CC COHEN RECORD NO. 174

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.46 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Medium brown with reddish orange hints, ~~possibly~~ cleaned as probably such. A couple of tiny silver specks are noted on the obverse. On the reverse, a number of dull marks and scrapes are visible with diligent searching, but ~~not out of the~~ all consistent with the grade ~~ordinary for a coin of this grade.~~
DIE STATE: The ~~cud~~ extends to the far edge of N, other cracks and breaks ~~stable for the moment.~~ ← hair not enlarged
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-495
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

rim break

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 173

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.76 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25 Dark brown and nice surface. Not really great, reduced to one
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade. But rough enough from circulation
to drop it a few points. Dark brown and still better than
most in this extensive offering, not only in grade, but in
the surface catagery too.
DIE STATE: There is now a triangular rim break beginning over A2, and
the rim above I1 has started sinking.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-496
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE Dark brown and nice surface. Not really great, reduced
because of an extensive offering of circulation marks.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 176

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.36 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown with reddish undertones. ~~One finds~~ The surfaces slightly rough, coupled with trivial pin marks, but still in the average catagory.
DIE STATE: The reverse ~~cud~~ now covers I1, and the cud above M is starting to form.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-497
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

pin-break

THE COIN RECORD NO. 17

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another: 5.71 grams.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: ~~Here is~~ an example with wonderful medium olive brown. One tiny spot below L, another above T1 on the reverse. A glass will find minute circulation marks, but none warrent attent .
DIE STATE: Anothe tep has been completed: the rim break now covers all of the M in addition to those letters mentioned previously in this progression series. ~~As we stand now~~, The rim break → ~~rim~~ continues all along AMERICA, 200 UNI, ~~with the~~ < but not yet th ~~exception of~~ the second 0 in the fraction.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-498
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 178

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity V. Fine 15. Another 5.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Dark olive with a greenish-gold aura at the center of the obverse and throughout the reverse. A glass finds a number of minute scrapes at the central reverse, otherwise clean surfaces. Plated in both editions of Roger's book as "Late Die State". Collectors rarely have an opportunity to purchase <MI>any<M> plate coins from the important reference works, unless a major collection of one of the authors is available for auction. In this collection, a great number of plate coins are offered, many in moderate grades and affordable to nearly all collectors. What better way to memorialize your own collection than by including a few plate coins from the important sets. It is very enjoyable to own such coins, not only for their pedigree, but to know that they were studied by the great authors in your series.
DIE_STATE: Same state as the preceeding coin.
PEDIGREE: Ex Brobston
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-501
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] COHEN RECORD NO. 179

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1804
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-6. Rarity 2. Very Good-10. Another 5.36 grams.
GRADE EQUAL:	VG
GRADE NO:	10
DESCRIP:	Dark brown with tan hints [illegible]. Normal handling marks for the grade.
DIE STATE:	The crack above OF is getting thick, and as repeated strikes continued, no doubt pounded this piece out of the die<197>unless it was replaced in the interim. - It should have
PEDIGREE:	Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	[illegible] serious separation of the die
EMPHASIZE:	[illegible] like Cohen Brady, Roger Cohen, the late
OWNER NO:	2-499
SORT SEQ:	R. [illegible] Leonard, Larry Reichardt and others have sought
ASSIGN LOT:	[illegible] for a pointed die state [illegible]
EST VALUE:	die O.F. [illegible]
RESERVE:	[illegible]

[illegible] the state, not that with the OF crack [illegible] Encyclopedia.

Lot 175

Lt. Cohen, RECORD NO. 180

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN IMPRESSIVE RUN OF 1804 COHEN-7'S
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-7. ~~Rarity-5.~~ Fine 12. Spiked chin; triple leaf beneath OF; ~~left foot of T2 missing.~~ 5.44 grams.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown with lovely, glossy surfaces. One scracth runs diagonally from the center of Liberty's neck to the rim across from her nose. Another faint mark resides left of the date, otherwise average for the grade. Well struck and centered, perfect to represent this rare variety.
DIE STATE: Early die state, the crack above LIBERTY and bulge before her face are visible on all examples of this pairing; the reverse has no trace of the crack over D STATES ~~and~~ OF AMERICA.
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar, earlier Don Frederick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: Z-502
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, SCORE NO. 681

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.65 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30
DESCRIP: Scattered marks are visible to the naked eye on the obverse, along with minor pin scratches in the left field. Nevertheless, the color is great, light tan, and when one considers the variety, and that this is the 10th best one known in Roger's Condition Censuer, then we feel it will be avidly sought by knowledgable numismatists. An extremely difficult coin to find, and better, the few other high grade ones known are comfortably locked away in variety collections and will likely remain there for the foreseeable future.
DIE STATE: A light die crack can be seen above OF A on the reverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-503
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE- Cohen, RECORD NO. 182

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS EXAMPLE OF 1804 COHEN-7
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Extremely Fine 40. Another 5.33 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Smooth and glossy with dark brown color on both sides. Nearly problem free, but identifiable by a small patch of roughness below Liberty's lowest curl, and a minute nick on her jaw. Plated obverse and reverse in Roger's first edition, and reverse only in the second edition. Rated in Roger's extensive notes as the 6th finest for the variety ~~and nearly unimprovable~~.

Check CC

DIE_STATE: Intermediate reverse die state: a rim break over OF A and a crack continues over AMER where the ~~cud~~ ends. Another crack is visible above E1 to the top of D and the final crack has started above TATES.

Fl. Mint/ch

PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-504
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 183

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Good 6. Another. 5.47 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: G
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Olive brown with glossy surfaces, and unusually clean for the grade. One single mark above A4. ~~If you have given up looking for this variety, we suggest you purchase one of these for your collection.~~ Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Late Die State".
DIE_STATE: Later die state with the ~~cud~~ cud extending over OF AMERI. About
PEDIGREE: Ex Sam Ungar
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-505
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 1804

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. 5.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoning on the obverse, still an orange brown ~~color~~ on the reverse. Lightly porous on ~~either side~~ both sides. Part of a star has been punched into the ~~end~~ above E3 on the reverse, and a shallow scratch extends along D1.
DIE_STATE: Late reverse die state with the ~~end~~ rimbreak above OF AMERI. rimbreak
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-506
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 185

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-7. Rarity 5. Good 6. Another. 5.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: G
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Medium to dark chocolate ~~in color~~, with microscopically rough surfaces. One small pit is located below the post of E1, otherwise pretty clean.
DIE_STATE: A bit later than the preceeding, with the die crack over TES heavier and with all previous ~~cuds.~~ Rim breaks.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-507
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

THE COHEN RECORD NO. 186

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: STUNNING 1804 COHEN-8 "SPIKED CHIN"
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. ~~Another~~. 5.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55
DESCRIP: A wonderful, high grade, high color coin that will impress even your non numismatic friends! Traces of mint red are visible about the tan devices. One minute patch of corrosion is visible above the upper ribbon, but does not detract from this magnificent example. For this is one of the most beautiful coins in this sale. It has not passed without notice that all Draped Bust Half Cents are extremely scarce in or near Mint State. While scores of Large Cents are known in high grade, only a handful of Half Cents are found in such lofty condition. A coin for the discriminating numismatist.
DIE STATE: The crack through the tops of LIBERTY is strong.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-508
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Spiked Chin, A lovely high grade specimen

Nearly MS but not quite

the finest known for the rare subvariety of 1794. Still accepted the magnificent Ryder-Brookstone specimen which he claims to be finest known.

A beautiful toner with strong mint red. Only a minute patch of corrosion above the upper ribbon keeps this specimen below the MS state. [illegible]

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 187

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Another ~~Spiked chin; A3 almost touches ribbon, usually crack R to rim.~~ 5.41 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Dark brown on ~~either side~~ both sides, with smooth surfaces. A number of scattered circulation marks are visible, the worst just above the ribbon. This is the very rare early die state before the crack appears above the R.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, no crack above the R, ~~and very rare as such.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-509
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Check rarity

Cohen, RECORD NO. 188

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another. 5.57 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Light brown with some bluish hints from ~~an ancient cleaning.~~ have been cleaned. ~~We must remember that~~ most coins ~~have been cleaned at one~~ time or ~~another~~ and depending on the color and surfaces, ~~this may or may not be easy to discern. Collectors would~~ do well ~~to~~ educate themselves by viewing as many coins as possible in order to form their own opinion as to the past ~~handling of each coin they would consider bidding on.~~ Possibly double struck as there appears to be some extra dentils impressed on the rim across from Liberty's bust. ~~A coin worth study.~~

Check it out

DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the crack above the R to rim.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-510 Obv. overly brushed
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

and the obverse having been overly brushed.

LB: Cohen, RECORD NO. 183

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 10. Another. 5.16 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Light to medium brown in color, and probably cleaned ~~long ago~~, the evidence in the existing color more so than the surfaces. Moderately rough and with light corrosion areas before Liberty's face and another near the wreath between D and S1. Free of significant marks or abrasions.
DIE_STATE: The rim break has begun to form over the L on the obverse, and it is interesting to watch as it develops over LIBE, starting at the left and slowly progressing across each letter.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-511
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Not for publication

Note: A cleaning is a cleaning is a cleaning. The only factors were the consignors are "Is the coin brilliant" and "Has the color returned to it?"

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 190 Lot 135

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Fine 12. Another. 5.39 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Once again, the color is a medium to dark brown with hints of lighter orange beneath ~~usually indicating that it was cleaned in the distant past~~. ~~Clean surfaces.~~ Not cleaned
DIE_STATE: The rim break is forming over LI ~~on this example.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-512
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Fine half brown cleaned

TLE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 191

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 7. Another. 5.63 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Scattered marks on ~~either side~~ both sides, mostly on the reverse, which has a number of long scratches through the legends and in the center. On the obverse there is a patch of porosity behind the ribbon, right of the date and before Liberty's face.
DIE_STATE: The ~~cud~~ rim break is ~~no~~ now developing over LIB, with enough definition ~~in the cud~~ to show that the chip had not yet separated from the die, but was simply pushed above the field of the rest of the coin.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-513
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

On the low grade

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Very Good 7. Another. 5.20 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Nice medium brown ~~color,~~ with smooth surfaces. ~~Normal~~ for the grade. An excellent example of ~~circulation marks for the grade. An excellent example of~~ ~~this fairly~~ late die state.
DIE_STATE: The ~~cud~~ over LIB is a bit stronger than the preceeding, but is not as advanced as the final state~~, where the chip has fallen from the die (or is so raised as to not touch the~~ coin during striking).
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-514 ? textbook for excellent
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LIB- Cohen, RECORD NO. 193

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-8. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 5.52 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Lovely dark olive brown ~~in color~~ and with only a few trivial contact marks ~~on Liberty~~ (two in her hair, one just forward of where her earring ~~ought to~~ be). A beautiful coin with only a hint of definition in the ~~oud~~ above LIBE. The obverse is plated in second edition of Roger's book as the "Broken Obverse". ~~One which anycollector would be proud to own<197>and deservedly so~~!

could

DIE_STATE: The rim break over LIBE just touches the upper left serif of R and shows only a touch of definition, which indicates that the chip had not yet fallen from the die.

rim break

PEDIGREE: Ex J.J. Teaparty
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-515
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

THE COHEN RECORD NO. 1[illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ 2. Extremely Fine 40. Large crosslet 4, which is leaning left and ~~distant from 0,~~ A3 almost ~~touches~~ ribbon, ~~crack R to rim~~. 5.65 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: At first glance, a really beautiful coin with mottled dark color on the obverse. When a glass is used ~~to view the surfaces,~~ tiny corrosion pits become visible where the mottling is located. There is some active corrosion on and below the TY, more is found on the reverse under S1 and above F, but these are all small and don't detract a great deal. On balance, still an attractive coin ~~that deserves consideration~~. Just below the condition census, which probably
DIE_STATE: One light crack is visible through the centers of IBER and another at the top of RTY.
PEDIGREE: Ex Steve Ivy
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Include a few 50's
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-516
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

RT
RT
JRM
JRM
MO
DGP WW
LM
W.L.
GB

LB: Cohen, RECORD NO. 195

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Triple Struck!<B> 5.52 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Sharply impressed, three times in fact, and an unusual mint error even in the Half Cent series. The coin is tan to olive ~~in color~~ with blue highlights on the obverse. First struck slightly off center, ~~the preceman~~ restruck ~~the coin on center~~ the second time, and then, in an effort to strike out the initial error, restruck the coin a third time, slightly shifting it so that some of the lettering is doubled. One must examine this coin carefully to ~~unravel~~ see all three strik. ~~its striking secrets<197>for they are <MI>striking~~ <M> Evidence is clear on the obverse where the base of Liberty's ribbon is clearly doubled, and a faint outline of the ribbon is visible well above the later two strikes ~~and similarly on the reverse legend AMERICA. Of course, collectors know how rare such errors are, for they are seldom available in any condition, much less in a rare grade like this example. So examine the strikings, the color and surfaces and prepare a liberal bid, for even then you may not capture this prize.~~
DIE STATE: This appears to be a fairly early die state, although the multiple strikings make it difficult to determine, as well as irrelevant.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L The triple striking is more clearly seen in the letters of AMERICA.
OWNER_NO: 2-517
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 196

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~1~~ 2. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.62 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Smooth, glossy surfaces with very dark brown color. However, someone has carefully scratched corrosion spots from the obverse, one in the field below Y, others above and near the ribbon, one below Liberty's jaw and then buffed the coin lightly, but not enough to eliminate the ~~scratches.~~ a Hesitation The reverse has signs of similar ~~monkey business~~, but they are harder to detect. One small patch of corrosion still resides above C1. A coin worth examining, ~~for late die states are tough to find in any high grade~~.
DIE_STATE: The rim break has formed over RTY, a faint crack can be seen through the bases of 80, middle of 4 up toward the drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-518
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 137

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity ~~Y~~ Very Good 8. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Dark brown with clean, but dull, surfaces. Free of all but trivial contact marks, and quite choice for the grade and a ~~lovely~~ breat example of the late die state.
DIE_STATE: Rim ~~cud~~ over RTY full. A crack through IBER, another through the 804 to bust into field and lastly a short crack from above the Y into the field along the rim.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-519
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-9. Rarity 1. Very Good 10. Another. 5.46 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Dark brown with lighter devices. One ~~tiny~~ rim ~~tap~~ above T1 serves to identify, otherwise free of relevant marks. ~~A~~ choice
DIE_STATE: Full rim ~~cud~~ over RTY, cracks through IBER, past Y, 804 to above bust and rim and the ever present crack above the post of R.
PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Phillip Showers
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-520
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen ~~9~~ 10. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Crosslet 4 high, nearly touching both bust and 0; A3 almost touches ribbon, ~~always with crack R to rim.~~ 5.60 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: ~~An exquisite coin!~~ Choice golden tan with olive ~~coloring~~ on ~~either side~~ both sides, with ample mint luster and nearly free of handling marks. One tiny scrape can be found hidden on Liberty's bust as well as two tiny obverse spots, but we are really being picky to even mention these. For this example is superb. As numerous Mint State examples are noted, the Condition Census for the variety is muddled, with this coin either in or just below the top ~~dozen~~ ten survivors. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book for the variety.
DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with the wreath visible all around Liberty. Likewise, the outline of Liberty is visible around the leaves.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Abe Kosoff, Del Bland, Jon Hanson, W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-521
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENO:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-10. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~30~~ 35
DESCRIP: Mottled tan and brown ~~colors m~~ostly on the obverse, while the reverse is more balanced. Struck from rusted dies, with roughness about the periphery of the obverse. One bump noted on Liberty's nose, but parallel to the outline and thereby hidden. A few other handling marks are there, but none distracting. ~~Therefore, examination will reveal that this is a handsome coin, and worthy of a top-notch collection.~~
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding, struck from rusted and worn dies, the break from the post of the R to the rim is strong.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-522
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE - Cohen, RECORD NO. 201

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-10. Rarity 1. Very Fine ~~25~~ 35. Another. 5.54 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~25~~ 35
DESCRIP: Choice tan color on ~~either side~~ both sides coupled with glossy surfaces. Examination reveals a couple of shallow pin scratches on the obverse, but a glass is needed to see them. One red corrosion spot is located below the L, another in the hair. A great coin to represent the early die state.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with no obverse clash marks or rust in evidence.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-523
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS EXAMPLE OF 1804 COHEN-11
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. Plain 4; ~~two berries~~ with stems under T2~~, the wreath stems at different angles.~~ 5.32 grams. Nice
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Medium brown with a number of small dark spots about the obverse, larger ones on the reverse. ~~Signs exist that the coin was carefully whizzed (buffed) long ago, but not enough to disturb the letters or other devices. Such~~ No processing is quite common on early coinage, often done to reduce corrosion or circulation marks and scratches. Luckily, this was done by an expert, and little evidence remains. All too often, whizzing damages ~~the~~ surfaces and reduces the grade substantially.
~~As we have stated, Roger Cohen kept notes on the condition of most varieties of Half Cents, and hoped to publish a Condition Census of the top dozen coins known to him. This particular coin was rated as the sixth best for the variety, in spite of its minor problems, and should therefore bring a healthy premium as reflected in <MI>Copper Quotes By Robinson<M>~~
It has been our experience that scarce coins often languish on the sidelines when great collections are sold, being overshadowed by the great rarities offered. As collectors looking to upgrade, or to finally obtain high grade examples of rarities, be sure to prepare bids on several of the <MI>scarce<M> high grade coins offered, as well as the great rarities.
DIE STATE: Particular to this reverse die is an area of sinking on the bow and CE of CENT. As more coins were struck, this area progressively weakens.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond and R. Tettenhorst
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-524
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

look see

Nice

The finest known to FEW is the NGC Nervel specimen, and it's followed by better a dozen pieces in the 35 to 40 range. Rarity these coins would be easy to the top, a plausible challenge.

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 203

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Another. 5.62 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Medium to dark brown on the obverse and reverse. One hidden scratch runs vertically through the hair, and a small pit is located just off Liberty's bust tip. Rated as the 12th best in Roger's Condition Census, and plated in the second edition of his book. Seldom available in this grade. ~~and if you missed the last coin, then be sure to bid high for this one.~~ Probably recolored - esp on Rev. Sharp but decent quality for a 40
DIE_STATE: Early die state with the reverse just starting to sink on the bow and numerator of the fraction.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber, Hugh Campbell, Joe Flynn
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-525
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO. 204

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.13 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Dark brown with lighter devices. Excellent surfaces for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Sinking on the reverse from C2 to the stem below.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-528
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 205

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: ~~15~~ 20
DESCRIP: Dark steel color and well centered. Examination finds a couple of contact marks, the worst a shallow scratch from the lowest curl to rim.
DIE_STATE: Curiously, ~~this reverse chose to~~ fail ~~by~~ sinking, rather ~~than cracking or forming cuds along the rim. Sinking usually occurs as more and more coins were struck, with weak areas of the die being pushed out of shape, or sinking, thus making fully struck coins becomes impossible. By the time this example rolled off the press, weakness extends from the CE to the numerator.~~

remit

PEDIGREE: From Stack's Fenn Sale, Lot 13, October 1976
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-526
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Curiously, this die failed by sinking, rather than cracking or forming cuds along the rim. The sinking results from increasing concavity of the reverse die which results in the reverse of the coin being convex. Note both halves of die bulge, at all like the reverse die in its late state. The Stack's collection also exhibits this reversed bulging.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 206

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Cleaned and recolored with orange tan highlights. A few small patches of corrosion and numerous circulation marks on the obverse, much nicer on the reverse.
DIE_STATE: Later die state, the sinking now involves the CEN, bow and the numerator.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-529
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen RECORD NO. 207

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-11. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.24 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: This example is a pleasing dark brown, with the usual circulation marks. A coin for the cultivated collector, for the reverse die has swollen throughout its center, weakening much of the detail. One trio of marks on H, serving to identify this one.
DIE_STATE: By the time this coin was struck, ALF, UN and the bow have sunk into oblivion. One can imagine the goings on at the mint on a late Saturday afternoon, the sun setting, your quotient of Half Cents nearly complete, and this reverse die develops the annoying habit of sinking a little bit more with every coin struck. No one notices as you strike off the last of the planchets, each coin showing less and less detail on the reverse. The strikings pass unnoticed. At last, the churchbell rings out, the reverse die is scarded and the boss says "see you Monday"...
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-527
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Knowledgeable die state specialist

Thought I have seen a little state coin, then, like with the central reverse completely bulged. But here, special of this die state are not rare.

EX

COHEN RECORD NO. 208

DENOM:
TYPE: Crosslet 4, Stemless, Mint State
FEATURES: CHARMING 1804 ~~COHEN 12 IN MINT STATE~~
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-12. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Crosslet 4, ~~nearly touching O and bust~~; ~~no stems on~~ wreath. 5.24 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Here is a charming example of this common variety, with the nearly full earhole, the color is dark olive to steel, and abundant tiny spots give added character. Only a couple of the spots have evidence of corrosion, the worst (although tiny) between the ER on the obverse, and a red one located beneath the Y. Glossy with loads of mint color remaining, and were it not for the spots, this coin would be about as struck. A minor planchet flaw ~~resides~~ on the rim near the lowest curl, ~~with its~~ and sister on the reverse at T2. ~~For reasons lost, many 1804 Half Cents have rim flaws, perhaps caused by planchet cutters or some other process used in their production.~~ Plated in Roger's first edition and still rated as the tenth best in ~~his~~ the Condition Census.
DIE_STATE: Struck from worn dies, with the familiar "halo" around Liberty in the fields. Clash marks are visible below the ribbon.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Jon Hanson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-530
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

cube steel

Loads of earhole

E. Cohen, RECORD NO. 209

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-12. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 45. Another. 5.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45
DESCRIP: This example is dark tan with some golden highlights. Average surfaces, with circulation marks on ~~either side~~ both sides under the scrutiny of a loop. Aside from these, a few spots are visible, but they are not deep or multicolored. ~~Notwithstanding these ever present difficulties, here again is another excellent coin that would beautifully represent this variety in most any collection. Best of all~~ It is plated in the first edition of <MI>American Half Cents.<M>
DIE_STATE: ~~This die pairing selected the quiet deterioration option over the catastrophic cracking and swelling that sends die state specialists into raptures. For here, we see minor rusting with slight rim crumbling, which more often than not, is obscured by oil concerning, above MERIC.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-531
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Here we see a slight [illegible] rev between A3 and the denominator as well as minor rusting

RECORD NO. 210

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONDITION CENSUS 1804 COHEN-13
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. Plain 4; ~~no stems of~~ stemless wreath. 5.69 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: ~~Here is one of the most enticing 1804 Half Cents we have seen~~. Golden tan throughout, with only a ~~couple of~~ few trivial toning spots on the obverse to note the passage of time, one at the base of E, another below the bust and lastly below the date. Likewise, the reverse has some toning spots through the word STATES. ~~Considering the number of high quality coins offered in this sale, the opportunity to select from <MI>several<M> superb Half Cents poses a problem most collectors have not witnessed: <MI>which coins to buy<M>. Having the winning bid on any of the high grade coins in this collection will make each collector a winner~~. The coin offered here is rated in Roger's notes as the fifth finest he had seen, which is quite a statement for this common variety.
DIE STATE: The dentils are sharp along the lower portion of the obverse, and right side to bottom of the reverse. There is no evidence of the die crack in the left obverse field, although this may be a result of striking, as all known examples have evidence of this light crack.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y UNIT
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-533
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE COPY, RECORD NO. 2-

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1[illegible] Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.43 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20-30
DESCRIP: Excellent color with ~~some variety from~~ tan ~~to~~ brown on both sides ~~either side~~. One surface scratch from Liberty's nose to jaw, another shallow line on her neck.
DIE_STATE: Weakly struck on LI at the top, UNI on the reverse. Likely caused from ~~the triflo off-center strike~~ being struck a trifle off-center.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-538
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Nearly same strike as preceding Lot. Small flaw struck at top of [illegible]

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 212

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another. 5.52 grams.
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: This coin ~~has a~~ is beautiful olive ~~color~~ coin that is mellowing to brown. In addition, the surfaces are very smooth and only a few tiny contact marks can be located. On the rims, several areas are uneven, ~~perhaps caused by the collar or edge of the die~~, and these should be examined. ~~As more and more coins were struck by this pair of dies, the dentils, rims and strike quality of their protective rim.~~ Plated in Roger's second edition and truly a wonderful collector coin, and listed ~~as the twelfth best in his Condition Census~~.
DIE STATE: The obverse crack in the left field is clear, and ~~only half of the dentils are visible on the reverse, those on the lower half.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-132
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

See

Thirteenth finest known of the rarity

(and are the reverse dentils sketchy on the upper half are not visible)

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 213

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.15 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Olive and steel on the obverse, more olive on the reverse. Pleasing → ~~Satisfying~~ glossy luster throughout. This coin appears to have been struck without a collar, for the rims are wide and with little definition. However, this example has a series of small depressions from contact with a blunt instrument, one behind the ribbon end, another on Liberty's cheek, and several on the reverse near TES OF. Careful examination is required to find them and these marks are not readily apparent. ~~Which is why we feel this is a very attractive Half Cent.~~
DIE_STATE: Late die state, the obverse crack is clear, the dentils nearly gone on both sides and wide rims.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-535
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Title: Cohen, RECORD NO. 214

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 5.53 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Tawny highlights beneath tan ~~color~~ in the fields provide an excellent contrast for the devices. The obverse appears to have been buffed, ~~resulting in a polishy look to the fields~~. Circulation marks are revealed with a glass, but none are heavy. A pleasant example of this common variety. ~~Half Cent~~.
DIE_STATE: Well struck with the usual rim variations and obverse crack in the left field.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-536
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Dr. Cohen, RECORD NO. 215

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CONTROVERSIAL 1804 COHEN-13
DATE: 1804
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity 1. Fine 15. Another. 5.54 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Medium brown color evenly distributed on ~~either side~~ both sides. A few faint pin scratches are noted on the obverse, some of which form circles at the center.
DIE_STATE: This coin was the center of a bit of controversy between ~~Mr.~~ Roger Cohen and ~~Mr.~~ Walter Breen. Needless to say, these numismatists did not always see eye to eye when it came to emission sequences and die states. Here we have a coin that was struck from a late die state, this point is clear as the dentils are very weak and obverse die crack is present. In fact, this particular example is noted in Mr. Breen's book under Breen-10 as die state IV, wherein he notes rim breaks at ICA. Mr. Cohen felt that the weakness above the ICA was striking related and not a function of rim breaks. Whatever the truth is, here is the coin that began the controversy on this particular variety.
PEDIGREE: From our Ruby Sale, February 1974, Lot 237 (catalogued by Walter Breen); earlier C. French's, May 2, 1952.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-537
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Dr. — this is your last bit of cataloging —
No Poetry — Just the FACTS

Cohen, RECORD NO. 216

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1804
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-13. Rarity I. Very Fine 20. Another. Double Struck 5.05 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 - Nearly 25
DESCRIP: Glossy medium brown ~~in color~~ with hints of steel blue. ~~As is common to Capped Bust Half Dollars of the 1820's, doubling is noted on Liberty's nose, mouth and chin.~~ However, no trace of doubling is visible on the reverse or ~~at the outer periphery~~ obverse of the obverse. ~~One for study by an experienced numismatist~~
DIE_STATE: Middle die state with the obverse crack weak (probably due to wear) and the engraver's scratch from the leaf through E1 very strong.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-534 Very finely doubled on Liberty's nose, mouth, and chin as is often seen on Capped Half Dollars of the 1820's.
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 217

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: AN ~~ELEGANT~~ 1805 COHEN-1 IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. ~~In touch, no stems~~ on wreath. 5.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: ~~Superb color and surfaces for the grade, this coin will entice any collector who enjoys these rare early Draped Bust coins. Mellow color with ample hints of red remaining in the fields. discriminating numismatist.~~ Certainly in the Condition Census, ~~and tied with~~ less than a dozen ~~in~~ known in Mint State.
DIE_STATE: A small rim ~~cud~~ has formed just past A3, below the right ribbon end.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-539
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Medium sized 5 stems for wreath

What is the color?

brick

as

rare

Obvious redish-brick color turning to tan and dark brown, color

red is mostly turned to tan.

Superb frosty mint color that has turned tan and dark brown on the obverse, and the reverse is mostly tan. The surfaces are likewise choice.

TYPE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 218

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~About~~ Uncirculated ~~55~~ 0. Another. 5.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ MS
GRADE_NO: ~~55~~ 60
DESCRIP: ~~The color and surfaces of Mint State, but reduced a notch because of a minor planchet lamination through the lower reverse. Excellent color ranging from tan to brown on either side, and again, a most beautiful coin that will satisfy any collector. One tiny neck nick, another on the B of the obverse. Well balanced, struck and preserved.~~ but lam. Tiny flaw. Not quite as well struck on the obverse. Early die state with no ~~cud~~ on the reverse.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-542
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

~~Both sides~~ pretty light and the color around the lamination ~~a little~~ brown.

An attractive mint state example that has less mint luster than the previous lot, darker on the reverse, and surfaces commensurate with the color. However, there is a lamination on the lower reverse. The catalogue has seen a nearly identical lamination in the same location on a mint state 1804 C-12.

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 219

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Good 5. Another. 5.35 grams. Double Struck
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: While a couple of rim marks are noted as well as a scrape on the central reverse this coin does have one quite unusual feature. Liberty's profile is doubled, from her chin to her upper curls just below ER. Tan with some mottled verdigris. Perhaps the dies shifted slightly during the striking process, and very similar to the 1804 Cohen-13 with the doubled profile on Liberty a few lots back.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-540
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Liberty's profile is doubled from her chin to her upper curls just below ER. Tan with some mottled verdigris. A couple of rim marks are noted as well as a scrape on the central reverse.

E. Cohen, RECORD NO. 220 L. 1215

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: THE RARE 1805 SMALL 5, STEMS COHEN-2
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 6. Very Good 10. ~~Both lower serifs weak on T,~~ Small 5, ~~fraction bar ends over the center of 2.~~ 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Here is one of the <MI>rarest<M> ~~coins~~ varieties in this extensive series. In fact, Roger ~~owned~~ kept only 1 example of this die pairing, ~~whereas he often acquired~~ two or more of the other rarities. The surfaces could be a bit better, but the color is tan and the strike is sharp for this variety. Some faint scratches run parallel at a 60<198> descending angle on the obverse, mostly confined to Liberty. In addition, a wavy scrape can be seen just above Liberty's bust. On the reverse, the strike is bold from the rim to the wreath, then weak on HALF CENT. At the center of the reverse is a series of shallow marks ~~where some bored barbarian tapped a blunt instrument repeatedly. We mention this not to detract from the coin, but merely to enumerate its minor problems, for we must remember that this is no common variety, but one of the better examples of this die pairing known. And a rare pairing it is, one of the few Rarity 6's to stand the test of time.~~ This one probably is ~~tied at the~~ low end of the Condition Census, ~~the best pair rating only Very Fine. An important opportunity.~~
DIE_STATE: As Mr. Cohen discusses in his book, why this reverse die was discarded is unknown, aside from the weakness at the center, no breaks or cracks are known. The obverse was later used on the Cohen-3 pairing of this year and it ~~elects to fail~~ failed by massive swelling in the right field. No trace of the obverse swelling is seen on this example, the VF Roby specimen is the only piece known to FEW with any swelling on the obverse
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-542
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: RARE EARLY DIE STATE OF 1805 COHEN-3 Small S with stems
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 4. Good 5. Small S, Berry above F. ~~Both lower serifs on T weak, fraction bar begins over left edge of 2.~~ 5.27 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD Berry above F, HALF in the fields on both sides
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Moderate porosity ~~on both sides, visible in the fields.~~ However, wear on the devices reduces the effect. On the reverse, someone has scratched both above and below the right side of the wreath, above LF and under MER. While this coin is scarce in any grade, it is decidedly rare with only a trace of the obverse bulge, ~~and should therefore attract the attention of die state specialist even with its minor problems.~~

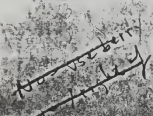
DIE STATE: The obverse shows only a trace of the bulge in the ~~left~~ right field, and this is clear even with the porosity. Weak at the central reverse on H and CE, as usual, for this variety. ~~Finally, the die chip (or engraver's scratch) from the right foot of A1 is not visible, perhaps due to the porosity.~~

PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-543
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

What is the COLOR?

NUMS Cohen, RECORD NO. 222

DENOM:
TYPE: Cent Fine
FEATURES: ~~RESPECTABLE~~ 1805 COHEN-3
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Very Fine 20. Another. 5.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Choice medium brown ~~color~~ and surfaces ~~too!~~ ~~For this coin to be appreciated, the collector need look no further than the Condition Census. Opening Roger's second edition, his Census reads (1) EF<197>VF (3)<197>F (7). Perhaps a few others have been discovered in the past nine years, but this coin clearly resides in the top 6 known.~~ Identifiable by a mark above and left of the ribbon, another horizontal one in the upper curls, starting near the top of her forehead. On the reverse a glass finds scattered circulation marks, mostly near the center where the weak strike contributed to this affliction. ~~This variety has long been known as the "Small 5" Stems" 1805. However, confusion arises in that there are two die pairings that fulfill the qualifications, both the Cohen-2 and Cohen-3. Therefore, we have selected the fraction bar as the determining factor. It begins above the center of the 2 on Cohen-2 and near the left edge of the 3 on Cohen-3. In either case, the "Small 5" Stems" will find it's both are quite rare. A foremost rarity in choice condition, one worthy of a strong bid.~~



DIE_STATE: Unlike the previous coin, the right field shows strong sinking from the Y down to Liberty's bust, as each successive strike caused the swelling to ~~grow and deepen. Additionally, small pits formed in the die, the most obvious close to the denticle straight across from the tip of Liberty's nose. The final diagnostic, the chip or engraver's scratch, is sharp from the right serif of As toward the ribbon.~~

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-544
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

RT
GTH
DTP
TRM
RSC

enlarge.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 223

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Very Good 7. Another. 5.39 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 7
DESCRIP: Milk chocolate color on ~~either side~~ both sides, and well struck, even on the central reverse. This die pairing has the reputation of usually being found with poor surfaces and other problems. Here is ~~an alluring~~ a terrific example that boasts problem free surfaces and ~~enticing~~ wonderful color. One small mark to the right of the D will help to identify this example for future reference.
DIE_STATE: The bulge is ~~still in the gentle knoll stage, before the inflated Everest appearance terminated this obverse's use. Also, the rim chip is visible across from Liberty's nose, as is the mark on the right serif of A3.~~ not yet fully developed.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-547
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 224

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. 5.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown color, evenly distributed on both sides. A pair of ~~distinct~~ scratches above the ribbon, and a small mark ~~below the cliff~~ are about the only marks worth noting. On the reverse, ~~circulation~~ marks are evident, mostly near the center, ~~as the weakness in this area allowed the central reverse to collect more marks than the protected outer rim. This is one of the many challenges of designing coins: keeping the fields busy enough with devices to protect the smooth fields from the numerous marks that occur during circulation. First of all, high rims with dentil protect the entire coin, then the highest devices (such as Liberty's hair, the lettering, wreath etc.) receive the most marks, and lastly, only well directed marks settle in the surrounding fields by missing these devices. On this die pairing, the central reverse is usually poorly struck, allowing a higher number of marks to become visible, rather than hidden by the devices.~~

DIE STATE: Heavy swelling in the right obverse field, weakly struck on the central reverse

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-550
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 225

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. 5.12 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown with minor porosity on both sides. A few marks are noted, a couple on the neck, another behind the ribbon, and one above the L on the reverse. Perfectly acceptable for this variety, which is usually found much worse and with abundant problems. ~~One for the collector who demands value.~~
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the bulge strong, and central reverse weak.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-546
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO: 226

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. 5.50 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: The detail of a higher grade, but ~~during some past idle hour~~ ~~some forgotten individual~~ someone filed most of the rim, producing the appearance of reeding, but clearly done after this one left the Mint. Nevertheless, the balance of the coin is reddish brown, with darker color highlighting the devices. Weakly struck at the center of the reverse, as nearly always seen on this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with ~~previously mentioned inflated Everest swelling in the fields, die chips along the left obverse rim, and mark from the right serif of A?~~ the large obverse bulge
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-548
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

R. Cohen, RECORD NO. 227

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 4. Good 5. Another. 5.62 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown fields, with lighter devices that combine to give the appearance of a ~~higher grade~~. One orange spot on the lower curl, and several shallow pin scratches clustered in the central reverse. A coin that should be ~~viewed~~, as the problems may prove distracting to some buyers, but unimportant to others. ~~Still a rare coin in any grade.~~
DIE_STATE: Moderate swelling in the field, ~~the die chips visible, but weak and the extension on the right serif of A2 visible~~
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-549
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 228

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 4. Another. 20 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Steel gray to brown ~~color,~~ and clean surfaces on the obverse. On the reverse however, is a sharp dent from the left wreath to below the H, which is deep enough to produce a small bulge below Liberty's ribbon. Were it not for this mark, the coin would be pretty nice, ~~and still worthy of a place if the others offered before prove elusive.~~
DIE_STATE: Heavy bulge before Liberty's face, as usual. ~~with the familiar chip along the rim, and the chip on the right serif of A3 toward the ribbon.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-545
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: Cohen RECORD NO: 22

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: Third Finest Known 1805 Cohen 4
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Large 5 touching bust; ~~fraction bar begins over left edge of 2.~~ 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS Rarity ALMOST HALF
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: A lovely specimen of this common variety, ~~one which exudes the quite elegance of Gilbert Stuart's classical rendition of Liberty. As we have stated, and here again hammer on this important point, Draped Bust Half Cents in Mint State are <M> rare. <M> Only a few small hoards have been discovered, these now widely dispersed. But this is as it should be, for where was our country during this infancy period? Chaos reigned. Coins from various world countries circulated along with our issues and many areas had never seen a coin from the new Philadelphia Mint by 1805. The dribble produced out of Philadelphia actually circulated and circulated hard until they were lost, [illegible] Returned for recoining. Few were saved. Even fewer survive in a grade approaching Mint State. The point we are trying to make is that we strongly recommend the purchase of at least one example from these high grade coins offered herein.~~ Identifiable by a vertical mark before Liberty's neck and a small spot on the B. The reverse is even nicer, one tiny stain on the left side of O shows that this is the plate coin from both editions of Roger's book.
DIE STATE: ~~One of the middle die states, with a crack connecting the base of 18, another up from the left side (lower) of 1 which just misses the curl into field, and yet another through the base of LIBERT and middle of Y into field toward the rim. A heavy, lumpy break connects the top of 1 to the lower loop of the 8, and a similar lumpy break extends up into the field from the second curl from the bottom. Much of the obverse die exhibits roughness, from improper annealing or polishing, and this feature is seen on most examples. On the reverse, [redacted] clash marks are clear along the left side of the wreath between the leaves. Lastly, the chip from the right serif of the A is clear.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex G. Harris
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-551
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Third Finest Known for the variety. This and the next lot are the two finest in state consistent with the condition of the coins listed in Breen's Encyclopedia. Go on my die state

Jim

What is the Color?

How much Mint Luster?

Filed: Cohen, RECORD NO. 225

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1805
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 5. Good 5. Another. 5.12 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown with minor porosity on both sides. A few marks are noted, a couple on the neck, another behind the ribbon, and one above the L on the reverse. Perfectly acceptable for this variety, which is usually found much worse and with abundant problems. ~~One for the collector who demands value.~~
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with the bulge strong, and central reverse weak.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-546
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen RECORD NO. 230

L+224

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: Second Finest Known 1805 Coiner
DATE:
MINT_MK: 1805
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 60. Another
GRADE_QUAL: grams:
GRADE NO: ~~AU~~ 55 60
DESCRIP: Excellent steel brown color on either side, which c
with ~~hints of mint luster~~ and lots of charm to produ
very eye appealing example of the late die state. Fr
handling marks ~~and the high points show only a hint~~
~~(actually cabinet friction), so be prepared to pay a~~
premium for this specimen, its well worth it. One tiny
planchet lamination below the 5 and a speck is located
of the L. ~~Boldly struck and an impressive coin!~~
The obverse die state had greatly deteriorated since th
prior coin was struck. Numerous chips and fissures appea
in the obverse fields, including a strong example of
Gilbert's "diminutive Goatee" on Liberty's chin. Of
Observations confirm the crack through the bases of LIBER
extending beyond the ~~either~~ crack another crack
connecting the bases of 18 with the middle of the left field
below the curls another curl into the rim to the left
lump, and a similar direction, another lump through the bust
and wei lastly, another crack from the second curl
into the field on the right, aside from this
collection of cracks, the reverse has ~~not been grounded~~
~~against~~ the triple dash marks appear to have been faintly
~~down by a strong rim~~ ~~evidence of a~~ the dentils have faded away, other ~~have been~~
~~above RE~~ ~~the~~ two show clearly, ~~so~~ ~~this may be~~
~~nearby. One for the break, as others are clear, and sharp~~
~~specimen~~ ~~specific to study and admire~~

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-552
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Ray D. Munde

60 w/ lamination

60+ w/ lamination

full certificate both sides

both sides

Second finest known of the reasonably common variety, which is equal to Extremely Fine in the

Go near all edges

The reverse has lapped the clash marks, all gone.

Cohen RECORD NO. 231

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Small high 6, ~~B below E at base; no stems.~~ 5.46 grams.
GRADE QUAL: MS Stems Reverse
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Steel blue with greenish hints ~~about either side~~ on both sides, with abundant ~~original~~ luster combining to make a most beautiful example of this variety. An arc of toning extends from C1 to the rim above I1 on the reverse. ~~Here again, this workhorse "No Stems" reverse die was pulled off the shelf to strike another bin full of Half Cents. It had been used in both 1804 and again in 1805, always producing a large number of coins.~~ This coin is identifiable by a small planchet flake below F1 on the reverse, the only other item to note are a few scattered spots in the right obverse field. ~~One would be hard put to find a better one, although several exist in Mint State. One of the most common Half Cent varieties.~~
DIE STATE: On the obverse, slight weakness is noted at the top of LIB, otherwise well struck. ~~By the time this coin was struck, the obverse die had clashed with the reverse, and clash marks are visible on either side of Liberty. The reverse rim has a small cud just below the right ribbon end, which formed during the tail end of production of the 1805 Cohen-1 No Stems variety.~~
~~One confusing error in Gilbert's 1916 variety book on Half Cents was the notation that top of 6 touches the drapery. For many years (the Gilbert referenced book being the standard reference book until Roger printed his first edition in 1971) catalogues listed 1806 Half Cents as "not in Gilbert" but with dies very similar to G-1 because the 6 did not touch the drapery.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-553
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Greenish 60

Either in break

Check die shelf

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 242

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.5 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Mostly milk chocolate ~~color~~ with some mottling on both sides. Liberty has a halo of green along her face and bust. Trivial circulation marks only, identifiable by one tiny rim mark above E2, and a single field mark below N2. An excellent example of this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: The obverse clash marks from the wreath are visible, and the crack through the tops of LIBERTY is present, although very faint. The rim breaks over MERICA to below the fraction are difficult to see as the entire rim is rounded from the strike centering. ~~(the dentils are very weak, but the chips are not visible when compared with the next example offered).~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-554
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

B: Cohen, RECORD NO. 223

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.58 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Medium tan with hints of mint color near the devices. One shallow scrape bumps through the R on the obverse, and a faint pin mark can be seen below RICA to the ribbon end. Well struck and quite respectable for the late die state collector.
DIE_STATE: Late die state, the obverse crack through the tops of LIBERTY is present, ~~and much of the rim above AMERICA to the fraction shows buds above the dentils.~~
PEDIGREE: From Superior's Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 152
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-555
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

MER I C A 200

and there are ~~[illegible]~~ cross breaks above MER between the ribbon and the denominator and the final A of AMERICA

COHEN, RECORD NO. 244

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: HIGH GRADE 1806 COHEN-2, SMALL 6, STEMS
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Very Fine 35. Small ~~high~~ 6, B above E at base; ~~RI touch at base~~. 5.29 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF Fine
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Dark brown ~~color~~ on the obverse with blue highlights on the reverse, perhaps from an old cleaning and expert retoning. Actually a higher grade, but reduced because of shallow scrapes in the right obverse field, one extending from Liberty's chin to the rim, another shorter one in the field above. A pair of nicks are located on the ridge of Liberty's nose. ~~One of the varieties that seldom is avail-le in high grade and worthy of the finest collection. Certainly in the condition Concus as this is one of the twelve best known. Collectors must bear in mind that many of the high grade coins known are locked away in famous collections, and that an offering such as this will likely not occur again anytime soon. In fact, a few of the truly rare varieties in this collection have not been offered at public auction in the decades! We are sure that the bases of the four rows of impressed dentils are clear. None of the dies must have become quite loose and clashed the obverse repeatedly in this location, creating the four rows of impressed dentils.~~ No trace of the break below the 06 of the date to drapery.

This piece probably had proof-like surfaces, and has been cleaned with a wire brush. Photo in the Collection Census book, since EF and not the coin to left is the better year. Note is in a high grade

DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-566
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

The R of LIBERTY was reponched, serifed. This is the second die state of the second variety. The earlier state, without the reponched R is by far the scarcest of the three die states.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 235

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Fine 12. Another. 5.14 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, much higher in fact, but damaged by several shallow cuts, from being struck with a sharp knife or other bladed instrument, nearly all on the obverse. One of these marks extends horizontally from the rim through the hair and along Liberty's jaw to the other rim, the others are less obvious. Most of the marks are located on the rims. On the reverse there are a couple of small planchet laminations, both on the rim, one above U, the other between D S. Nice color and surfaces otherwise, ~~and still one of the better examples of this variety to exist, although not in the Condition Census.~~ Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, obverse and reverse. ~~The dentils impressed below the A have weakened a bit.~~
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: The impact of R has weakened
OWNER_NO: 2-558
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 216

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 4. Good 5. Another. 5.06 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark, even brown color with faint but numerous scratches on ~~either side.~~ both sides In addition, there is a series of small pock marks on Liberty, a bump just above the ribbon and another near the bust tip. On the reverse is a small scratch between H down between CE to the ribbon bow. Nice color and a ~~important to represent the late obverse die state~~ reasonable example of the late o.v. die state
DIE_STATE: The obverse die has now cracked at the rim b[illegible]w the 0 up through the base of 6 to the drapery.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-557
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO. 237

DENOM:
TYPE: Cent, Large
FEATURES: ~~IMPORTANT~~ 1806 COHEN-3 HALF CENT
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 6. Good 6. Small high 6, B below E at base; RI touch at base. 5.10 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Medium brown fields on the obverse with lighter devices. One area of red corrosion surrounds Liberty, a bit above her head, but mostly before her face and below, extending to the rim near her bust. A few trivial scratches on her lower curls and drapery, remain neatly hidden by the devices. Trivial scrapes can be found with a glass, some in the left field, others on Liberty, but none detracting or very annoying. Turning to the reverse, nearly all of which is covered with ~~carpet of~~ red corrosion, a glass fails ~~to find~~ any significant marks. One arc from E1 to T3 ~~retains~~ retains the brown color of the obverse. ~~As we have mentioned previously, copper tends to attract this type of surface over long periods, for copper is an active metal which reacts with the air, forming corrosion. In this case, an even layer of red color, with the appearance of a dusting of paint, is present over much of the coin. But the important point remains that this is a <MI>Cohen 3<M>, not a fact to be taken lightly to be sure, for only a handful exist in all grades. The finest seen grades, a mere fine (of which there are 2), another half dozen or so exist in Very Good. Clearly, if you need this variety, you had better not wait for a finer one to turn up, as you may have to wait a very long time.~~
DIE STATE: The crack through the tops of LIBERTY is not visible, nor is the reverse crack above ICA, which is the rarest of the three die states
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson, earlier, Robert Batchelder
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-559
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 243

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A TRIO OF MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4'S
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. ~~Large 6 firmly touching bust; RI close at base, but do not touch, thin fraction bar on right.~~ 5.43 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Undoubtedly from the large hoard dispersed by the Chapman brothers after the turn of this century. ~~This one without the annoying spots and enticing original red near the devices.~~ The balance of the coin is brown. Free of handling marks or problems and well struck on all but the upper leaves and S2 as is common to this die pairing.
DIE_STATE: ~~A large hoard was found long enough after coduction to all or most to be retained in Mint State not spent. One of the only "common" draped bust Half Cen in Mint State. This particular coin has the ever present weakness at the top of the wreath and S2, but shows nearly all of the drapery lines and excellent definition on Liberty's curls. The reverse is rotated about 20<I98>. Repunching on the 6 is still sharp.~~
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-560 the one without original red near the devices and
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT: without any annoying spots.
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 239

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ANOTHER MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another. 5.44 grams.
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Nearly identical in color and surfaces to the preceding example, this one also has lovely mint red near the devices with the balance of the coin a medium brown. Liberty's drapery lines have less definition as do the upper leaves of the wreath. The ES are weak. Scattered handling marks, but none major. If you missed the last one, be sure to stretch for this coin, it is well worth it. Here again, a magnificent Half Cent that would be the highlight of most collections.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die had only slightly rotated when this coin was struck, with the typical weakness described above. A tiny rim break is noted above the B on the obverse, which covers the outer half of three dentils. This break is just visible on the previous coin, but the centering makes it nearly impossible to see. Perhaps this is the beginning of the break which spans from rim to rim through the tops of ERTY.

Check die states

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-561
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

COHEN RECORD NO. 240 Lot 235

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A FINAL MINT STATE 1806 COHEN-4
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. ~~Another~~. 5.55 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: A final example in Mint State, this one Very glossy with light tan ~~color~~ on either side and abundant mint luster, but lacking ~~the~~ original red, ~~of the previous pair.~~ One mark on Liberty's neck and another series below the Y are present, but not detracting. Weak on Liberty's drapery lines and the upper reverse, otherwise sharp. Free of spots on the surfaces except for one on the edge across from Liberty's bust. Simply slendid.
DIE_STATE: The reverse is rotated about 30<198>. No trace of the obverse break above ERTY, and the repunching still shows on the 6. The rim break above B is missing due to centering, as on most examples.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-562
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another: 5.42 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown ~~color~~ throughout with normal handling marks for the grade.
DIE STATE: As the reverse die continues to rotate clockwise, this being about 70<198> from center, the weakness in the strike moves about. Here the devices are weak at the tops of LIBE on the obverse, strong on the drapery lines, the reverse weak all along the lower right side to below the fraction, while strong at the upper wreath. The tiny ~~cud~~ is visible in the dentils above the B, but no crack through ERTY yet.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde Sept 1972 Gimbels
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-563
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

File: Cohen, RECORD NO: 2-Z

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1806
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen . Rarity 1. Good 5.Another. 5.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark brown with some minor rim marks on the left obverse, other marks on Liberty and still more at the center of the reverse. Weak only on the bottom of the reverse.
DIE_STATE: The reverse die has now rotated about 120<198> clockwise. ~~from center.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson Jun 1971
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-564
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

E. Cohen RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. ~~T missing the lower left serif; RI close, but do not touch, fraction bar thin on right.~~ 5.41 grams. The only variety of the year
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 Fair medium
DESCRIP: ~~Medium~~ to dark brown, ~~even~~ on both sides. Well struck and centered, and nearly free of circulation marks. Identifiable by a tiny scrape on the right side of A1. This variety is very rare ~~difficult to find~~ in full Mint State. ~~A rich, silky coin that exhibits wonderful definition of each device.~~ Plated in the second edition of Roger's book as the "Late State" obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE: ~~Struck after the dentils were all but ground off, perhaps to~~ remove clash marks or other die problems. After this process the fields have a rounded and scaly appearance on the obverse.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Lester Merkin's Sale, June 1968, Lot 84
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: E
OWNER_NO: 2-565 struck after the obverse was lapped, which weakened the dentils
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO: 244

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: Nice color and surfaces with only a few scattered marks. One mark is located on Liberty's drapery, above the 07 and the reverse has another old scrape near the first S. ~~Plated in the first edition of Roger's <MI>American Half Cents<M>, ink both obverse~~ and reverse. ~~If you want to purchase a plate coin from this historic collection, this one ought to be affordable.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state, and rare thus, with most of the dentils sharp on ~~either side.~~ both sides
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-566
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Both the obverse and reverse are plated in Roger's first edition

TE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 245

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another. 5.52 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Another example of the early die state, this one with excellent tan to milk chocolate color with a greenish hue on ~~either side~~ both sides. A pair of marks in the field near Liberty's chin, a few others on her, but none deep or annoying. Rarely found this nice.
DIE_STATE: ~~Early~~ The rarer early die state, with full dentils on ~~either side~~ both sides, the 7 recut ~~with~~ a faint crack through its top into either field. Small lumps have formed on the obverse die, one in the field behind the ribbon, another very close to her lips, also in the field. Die file marks clear on Liberty above the drapery (~~these appear as parallel lines on many dies of this era, after many strikings and polishings, most of these lines fade~~).
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-567
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

COHEN RECORD NO: 246

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12. Another. 5.45 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 12
DESCRIP: ~~Typical brown color and pleasing. What is unusual about this coin is the rotated reverse, which is at 315<198> clockwise from center. One minor mark at the rim above E3.~~
DIE_STATE: Late die state without the dentils, but no trace of the rim crumblng on the obverse (not enough rim shows to determine if they are there).
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock. 1/1972
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-568
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

The reverse is rotated 45° counterclockwise. The piece is a pleasing brown ~~color~~ with only a minor mark above E3.

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO: 247

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807s
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Struck about 10% off-center.<B> 5.28 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark brown to black, ~~in color~~. The obverse has some pit marks from circulation, one on the rim below the Y, another above the bust. Struck about 10% off-center toward the date, with about half of the digits missing, the reverse also off-center with the tops of STATES OF A partially gone. Usual late die state with very weak dentils. ~~An error for the specialist, and great for die state study as the rims of 1807 Half Cents are normally so weak, here at least half of the detail is extra sharp (what little detail there is, of course).~~
DIE STATE: ~~It is clear from this coin that the dentils had been nearly ground off both dies.~~ For the rim is bold along the off-center portion, and only a trace of the dentils are present, the strongest above the bust and below the fraction.
PEDIGREE: Stack Report 10/1994
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: I
OWNER NO: 2-569
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Jim,

On the low grade half cents that have something unusual about them, the something unusual must be mentioned first, otherwise the collector will wade through the description of a low grade coin.

PS Roger detested Breaks from ground off. All such Breaks have been grouped out of the catalogue.

The Cohen RECORD NO. 248

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1807
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Good 8. Another. 5.51 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 8
DESCRIP: Struck slightly off-center on the obverse, toward the ribbon ends. The reverse is well centered ~~(?) and one must~~ which indicate ~~conclude~~ that the dies were not properly aligned when this coin was struck. As a result, the obverse is weak on the left side, weakening the L, ribbon and some of the upper curls. Minor gouges noted: one by the 1 in the date, two more at the base of Liberty's neck. One area of green color in the middle of the left branch. An interesting coin to study, probably made near the end of the early die state as many dentils are clear.
DIE STATE: Most of the dentils are clear, where struck up. The recutting on the 7 is clear.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-570
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

In my time should be put in some sort of die state section. This would be an early one

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO: ~~[illegible]~~ 2-4 Lot 24

DENOM:
TYPE: Discovery specimen of [illegible]
FEATURES: ~~CONDITION CENSUS #5 OF 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-1~~
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-I. Rarity 7. Good 4. ~~LIP close at base,~~ tip of leaf below post of D, ~~lower right side very weak.~~ 5.26 grams. The overdate
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Medium brown on the obverse and reverse with a patch of brown roughness from Liberty's neck up to the E and field below Y. The TY weak on the obverse. Two reverse marks can be used for identification, one below O at the center of the triple leaf tip, another on the top right ribbon bow. Struck perfectly centered on the obverse, but completely misaligned on the reverse, so that the tops of MERICA and the fraction are missing. The wreath is also weak in this area. However, the important cracks are clear on the tops of ITED and the other at the tops of STATE. This coin is rated as the Fifth Finest Known of this ~~impossible~~ variety ~~still needed by many specialists in this series. A foremost rarity and one of the most difficult coins to locate in any grade.~~ Plated in the first edition of Roger's ~~work~~ book on Half Cents. very rare
DIE STATE: ~~Middle die state with~~ the crack along ITED and STATE ~~but the dentils are still in place~~ where the cracks meet between D and S1. ~~On even later die states, these dentils break away, forming a cud.~~ rewrite
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Benjamin M. Douglas and the Discovery Specimen of this variety~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-572
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Breen's Encyclopedia is in ERROR AGAIN - only 1 die state

Roger found the [illegible] a group of low grade and [illegible] later coins and asked his dealer partner, B.M. Douglas, [illegible] back for them. Douglas replied, "Roger, are you [illegible] again? If you want [illegible] give it to you." Roger received it with a [illegible] grin. He got [illegible]

TITLE: Cohen, RECORD NO. ~~[illegible]~~ 250

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXTREMELY RARE 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-1
DATE: 1808#
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-1. Rarity 7. Fair ~~2~~. Another. Early die state. 4.66 grams. Very Fair 3
GRADE QUAL: ~~PR~~ Very Fair
GRADE NO: ~~2~~ 3
DESCRIP: Olive steel atop the usual even brown color on ~~either~~ both sides. The obverse has corrosion, some in the form of tiny pits, with two larger areas, one in either field. Similarly, the reverse has corrosion and pitting. As exhibited on the other ~~2~~ examples known, all were struck with misaligned dies, so that the rim over TED STAT is very strong, while the rim above AMERICA and the fraction is very weak. Curiously, the obverse is well struck and centered on this variety. This misalignment placed additional pressure with each strike on this strong point of the rim, causing the reverse die to break. ~~However, when this example was struck, only a hint of the break had formed from the rim to the tops of STAT, making this one of the earliest die states known.~~ As the reverse quickly broke apart, only a handful were struck, to date the Condition Census lists ~~2~~ 7 coins, with this example a single notch below the previous offering, as the <MT>Sixth Finest Known.<M> ~~Missing from nearly every major collection of Half Cents, including our extensive Jack Robinson Sale. This variety was discovered by Roger Cohen in 1953. And to date, only a few others known and all are currently locked away in very strong hands, and will likely remain so for the forseeable future.~~

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DGP

DIE STATE: It is hard to believe that the Very Fine and Finest Known example of this variety was purchased as a Gilbert-1 (Cohen-2 now) a scant 21 years ago by a now famous Half Cent collector, who traded it for several other enticing Large Cents. This Very Fine coin is ~~not firmly locked away~~ in a mid-west collection. Likewise, the others known reside comfortably in various other variety collections. Unless a few others turn up as type or <BI>redbook<B> coins, this die pairing will continue in the steps of the famous 1795 Sheldon-79 Large Cent, with several collectors needing only this one variety to complete their collections. Luckily for collectors, two examples are now available from the Cohen collection, and two more collectors can finally purchase this variety. A very early die state for this die pairing, and may well be one of the first coins struck, with only a light crack from the rim to the STAT at top. No trace of the crack is visible above ITED, although the roughness obscures what evidence there may be.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross, earlier Steve ~~"Sharp Eye"~~ Fischer and Fred Borcherdt.

PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-571
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:

same die state as the preceding lot

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 251

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHOICE 1808, 8 OVER 7 COHEN-2
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. ~~LIB close at base~~; leaf tip between ED, ~~engravers scratch from right stem nearly to A2.~~ 5.42 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Medium brown chocolate ~~color~~ throughout the obverse, a bit mottled on the reverse. ~~A few trivial~~ pin scratches reside in the lettering of the central reverse, ~~but they are toned over and provide only minimal detraction.~~ Well struck and centered, a very choice otherwise. ~~Based on those reported, this coin appears to be in the Condition Census, near the low end of the top dozen.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state with only the faintest trace of the crack connecting TY at the top.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Merkin's Sale, March 1969, Lot 614~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-573
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

The overdate

Pin which reduces the net grade by 5 to 10 points.

Just below the Condition Census

Merkin March 1969 Lot 614 Ray Munde 9/1977

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 252

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.19 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Dark milk chocolate ~~color~~ on both sides and quite pleasing. One small lamination is located at the rim behind Liberty's ribbon, as a small mark is noted just before her eye.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, identical to the preceeding coin, with a faint crack through the tops of TY only.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR: Ex Hans Schulman "Hedgon", December 1973
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-578
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Half Cent, RECORD NO: 251

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another. 5.25 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Milk chocolate fields with the devices a bit lighter on both sides. ~~either side.~~ Normal handling marks, but not enough to knock this coin out of the choice catagory. Perfect for the die state collector.
DIE_STATE: The die crack has now progressed along the a piece of metal tops of BERTY to the rim below Y. Interestingly, ~~the cud portion~~ above Y to the rim has begun to fall from the die, so that the field area along the rim (which later becomes the ~~cud~~ cud) is below the surrounding field, making this one of the few "retained cuds" in this series and similar to the 1804 Cohen-2 Half Cent offered earlier.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munson~~ Sixbrook
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: Posted and distributed at the Atlanta NA Convention
OWNER NO: 2-574 in May 1969
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Another example of great "catalogs"

CHRON. RECORD NO. 254

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. 5.00 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Moderately porous on ~~either side~~ both sides, but the devices are clear and comparatively free of this detriment. Clean rims and well struck, and a tough to find die state.
DIE_STATE: By now the chip had fallen from the die above TY, forming a mounded ~~end~~ to the ~~rim~~ edge? Also, the crack extends along the top of BERT, but does not appear to extend above B to the rim (porosity obscures this area a bit).
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul/Munson~~ Ex-Markoff - August 1971
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-575
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 255

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another 5.34 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Delightful dark milk chocolate throughout. Furthermore, the surfaces are clean, and ~~nearly~~ free of serious contact marks. ~~One tiny rim bump below the 1 of the date and a tiny speck just beneath the upper leaves will serve to hallmark this coin. And too,~~ The strike is bold, well centered on the obverse, a bit off to the lower right on the reverse, making the rim on the left strong and heavy ~~(by the way, this is not a Cohen 1, although this is diagnostic to that variety)~~
DIE_STATE: Full rim break above TY and rim to the right, as the retained cud has fallen completely out of the die. Also, the crack through the tops of BERT now reaches up from the B to the rim. Lumps are noted in this crack at the top of B and E. ~~One can imagine the strain on the die as these cracks and lumps formed, they would act as a wedge prying apart the die. Each successive strike, too, as the steady stream of planchets were struck, metal would be squeezed into the lumps and cracks, causing them to weaken, allowing further cuds and rapid deterioration of the die.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Del Bland January 1974
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-576
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Nettle

Although not quite close to certified level VF, this example of the variety is easily offered at the second or third best with the TY obverse.

HALF - Cohen RECORD No. 256

DENOM:
TYPE: Liberty Rare Die State of 1807
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1808, 8 over 7. Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. 5.18 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: A very late die state of this coin, with two obverse rim breaks above BE and TY. However, the coin is wholly porous and suffers from a deep gouge through Liberty's hair, from the ribbon knot to her neck. Also, there is a shallow scrape below L. ~~It is possible that this coin spent a number of years temporarily misplaced in the ground, then was unearthed with the aid of a shovel, which may have struck the coin, causing the gouge. The reverse is free of contact marks, but is evenly porous, similar to the obverse.~~
DIE_STATE: ~~As more coins were struck, the lumps over B and E caused the next major step in the obverse die's retirement. The striking action forced yet another cud over BE, similar to the one over TY. Curiously, the cud over BRE has also broken and begun to strip, with this seen to be cud section struck 'BT' lower was than the surrounding field as the chip began to fall from the die. It apparently received several strikes before the chip completely fell out, and during the process the field where the cud forms is the sharpest struck part of the coin, as this chip in the die is below the fields surrounding.~~
PEDIGREE: Cl. Allen Brotman Sept 1973
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-577
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Club → Rogers: Since all only two other specimens of this die state known to the catalogue (FEW). The only later state known is the Allen Brotman specimen. This latter coin is in poor condition, but Roger was disappointed that coin he got away when the Richard Gross collection was bought intact by another collector.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 257

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: IMMACULATE 1808 COHEN-3 IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1808
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. ~~Another~~. 5.57 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Subdued mint color throughout, ~~and very desirable~~. One hidden mark runs vertically from the back of the drapery up into the curls. A minor spot or two, mostly along the back curls in the field. Nevertheless, this is a stunning coin that boasts blue hints and abundant charm. Certainly in the Condition Census as are all Mint State examples. ~~and worthy of a strong bid~~.

See CC

DIE_STATE: Struck after the reverse die had cracked from the leaf to the berry stem above near C2, another crack from the rim to the left serif of the base of I1. Die rust in both obverse fields. No trace of the crack to S1 yet.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: R
OWNER_NO: 2-579
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 75

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. ~~Second 8 much taller than first, ID and TY apart at base; engravers scratch from the right stem nearly to A~~3. 5.39 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Light tan on the obverse, with slightly darker devices; the reverse too is tan, although it has some minor raised spotting on the left stem and between D and ST on the rim, others to a lesser degree. Struck with the reverse die rotated 180<198>. Nearly free of handling marks and a ~~satisfying~~ pleasing example of this very early die state.
DIE_STATE: Early die state, with none of the cracks on the reverse and only traces of rust on the obverse. In fact, slight recutting can be seen on the second 8, where the 0 from the fraction was used to create this "tall 8".
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-580
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM-
TYPE: Controversial Half Dollar
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 4.96 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~VF~~ EF
GRADE_NO: ~~30~~ 40
DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from the first edition of Roger's book ~~<MI>American Half Cents.M>~~ and has a wonderful list of prior owners. Mostly light tan, however, a number of spots are located on the obverse, with one below the curl that has formed a pit, as well as minor mottling on the reverse. Identifiable by a couple of marks below O on the reverse and by the obverse spots.
DIE_STATE: The obverse die has the familiar rust in the fields, and the reverse has cracked from the leaf to the stem of the berry near C2, also the crack from the rim to the left serif on the base of I is faint, but visible.
PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 161, earlier William R. Weber, Jim McGuigan, Roger Cohen, R. Tettenhorst, Roger Cohen, Lester Merkin's Sale, March 1969, Lot 615.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-581
SORT_SEQ: Lester Merkin's March 1969 Lot 615 - Roger Cohen - R. Tettenhorst - Roger Cohen - Jim McGuigan - Wm R. Weber -
ASSIGN_LOT: Superior "Wyatt" Sale 1985 Lot 161 -
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

The piece should be examined carefully and thoroughly. graded MS60 by Walter Breen for the Merkin sale and VF 20 by Jack Collins for the Merkin sale. The condition not determined in any way since the Merkin sale ck. 1969

THE Cohen RECORD NO. 260

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1808
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. 5.34 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 6
DESCRIP: Choice brown color and surfaces, with few handling marks ~~for~~ which are consistent with the grade. ~~In fact, the only detraction is a tiny rim clip behind Liberty's ribbon ends, which can be seen on the reverse too.~~
DIE_STATE: Later state than the preceeding examples, with the berries weak in areas, and the reverse cracks present. No trace of the crack from the rim to S1 yet.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-582
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT: Thin rim has a minor planchet clip behind Liberty's ribbon
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE: Endorse

cohen RECORD NO: 261

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~IMPORTANT~~ 1809 COHEN-1, TIED FOR FINEST KNOWN
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. ~~Parity 6.~~ Very Fine 35. ~~Star seven recut on two points,~~ 6 rl between 09; point of leaf below end of S2, ~~berry below post of T1.~~ 5:43 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Light tan ~~color~~ and very pleasing. ~~for this date and variety.~~ Identifiable by a tiny mark below the first star. ~~An extremely rare variety, with about 15 coins known in all grades, only half of which grade above Very Good. This is one of the Finest Known examples to survive, tied with a couple of others in a similar state of preservation. Richard Picker discovered this variety way back in 1954 and in spite of long publication and a large number of collectors seeking an example, only a few have turned up. It is clear why the reverse die was replaced by the next example, and all known show die breaks above WEST. Of the major varieties offered in this collection, this one is the rarest of the Urban Heads, and by far the most difficult to find in high grade. Plated in both editions of Roger's books, both obverse and reverse. A coin of this variety will always command attention, and well it should, as it is so great rarity, which simply has not been found in better conditions.~~
DIE_STATE: ~~On the reverse, the engraver used heavy cut up lines to place the legend properly, and then failed to efface these lines. They are clear between D S, S O and P A in the legend. One can imagine the engraver carefully placing the letters and tapping the punch into the die. He had a little trouble with IS, and examination reveals three lines on the right side of the post where the punch shifted minutely with each tap of the hammer.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson, earlier the 1970 ANA convention
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-583
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

High Rarity 5

otherwise, the surface is very clean

Tied with one other as Finest Known. Another has parity with clean surfaces. Another Known is sharper but has a bump on the cheek.

June 1971

A fine break connects the top of AMERICA

usually seen die state

Mr. Cohen, RECORD NO. 262

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: TERMINAL DIE STATE OF 1809 COHEN-1
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. Another. <BI>Major rim break over MERI.<B> 5.35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate brown ~~color~~ on ~~either side~~ both sides and with pleasing surfaces, ~~on the obverse. The reverse has one file mark or bump, from the base of F3, the wreath to the top of the cud between ER as illustrated.~~ Also, a shallow scratch is noted below ITE. Well centered and struck on the obverse, the only weakness is on the lower curls atop Liberty's shoulder, the reverse is a bit off-center toward the top. ~~An extraordinary coin, not only is it a great rarity in this grade, but it is one of the only a few known with the cud reverse break. Certainly in the Condition Census and one of the most important coins in this collection.~~

Very choice

Tied with one other for fifth finest known.

DIE STATE: The die break over MERI has given way to a fully rounded cud. Also, the crack continues over CA to the rim. ~~but it is not known if this piece later becomes a cud or if the die was promptly retired after the first major cud appeared, likely one of the last struck.~~

The first

PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Ruddy's Sale October 1982, Lot 2129
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-584
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

This is the better of only two known specimens with the rim break, the other is the following lot.

The reverse has been hit with something that left a bump on the wreath, just below the break above ER, and below the F of HALF, just E3, and

THE Cohen, RECORD NO. 261

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND EXAMPLE WITH THE TERMINAL DIE BREAK
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 5. Fair 2. Another. <BI>Terminal ~~die cud~~ rim break over MERI.<B> 4.97 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: FR
GRADE_NO: 2
DESCRIP: ~~Dark fields with lighter devices and wholly porous on either side. The rim and fields are battered from long immersion in soil or some other hostile environment to coin collectors. Too much detail is clear to warrant a grade of Basal State 1, but this example is not significantly better than this entry grade level. Nevertheless, the cud over MERI is clear, even fully rounded. If the prior examples would break your budget, then perhaps this is the coin to fill in your variety set with.~~ both sides.
DIE_STATE: Heavy Cud over MERI, identical to the previous example. ~~They must have been struck only a few coins apart, back in that day and age.~~ rim break
PEDIGREE: Ex Norman Brand 1/ 1498
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: D
OWNER_NO: 2-585
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE: Dave only two RIKOON with the MERI rim break. This is a low grade specimen that is porous and dark.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 264

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK: ?
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. ~~Star seven has two recut points~~, curl between 09; point of leaf just past S2. 5.31 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: Medium brown with choice surfaces, and struck a bit off-center on the obverse. Rotated 250<198> on the reverse, as usual for this variety. Pleasant for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with a light crack through the last four stars only. On the reverse, the crack at the tops of ED has not yet formed.
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Stack's store stock~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-587
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 265

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 8. Good 4. Another. 5.48 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Medium brown with darker fields near the devices. A mark below the 9, another through IBE and other minor ones. Still average for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the preceeding, only the last four stars on the right show the crack.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Unattributed at the Washington Coin Show July 1970
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-588
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] RECORD NO. 266

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.36 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Choice brown ~~color~~ on both sides, and well centered. ~~The strike too, is bold for this variety, with the only weakness on the lower curls of Liberty.~~ Identifiable by a scrape along the left side of O on the reverse. Also, the reverse die is rotated 170<198>. As Roger noted in both editions of his book, this variety is scarce above Very Fine, ~~and this~~ is the only ~~readily obtainable grade for most collectors.~~
DIE_STATE: Later die state with another crack at the outer points of stars two through five, as well as the crack from stars eight through thirteen. On the reverse, another crack extends along the tops of ED STATE and a small rim break is noted between D S on the dentils.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-589
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Chas K Raymond October 1971

TITLE: Cohen RECORD NO. 267

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 7. Good 5. Another. 5.17 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Bent soon after it was struck so that circulation wore away the lower devices of the obverse, making the date and star thirteen weak. A few other handling marks. Still an acceptable filler for this scarce variety. The reverse die is rotated 80<198>.
DIE_STATE: Both obverse cracks in the stars are clear, and cracked through ED STATE on the reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Unattributed at P.G. Coin Show, October 1971
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-590
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Should this be in the main sale?

: Cohen, RECORD NO. 268

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.28 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a natural brown color, but enough blue remains to hint of its past. One tiny mark in the field before Liberty's neck serves to identify, otherwise very clean for the grade and an excellent example of the late die state.
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the obverse crack through stars two to six, another through stars eight to the 09 in the date, and on the reverse along the tops of ED STATE to the rim over OF. Much of the reverse rim appears to have minor cuds in the dentils, but the centering makes it difficult to determine.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier Walter Breen
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-586
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Sifter 1971

W. Cohen, RECORD NO. 262

DENOM:
TYPE: [illegible]
FEATURES: ~~ALLURING~~ 1809 COHEN-3 IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity I. Mint State ~~60~~ 63. Curl of Liberty over center of 0; point of leaf just past S2. 5.47 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~60~~ 63
DESCRIP: ~~An extraordinary~~ coin! ~~Subdued mint red in the fields, with a lovely combination of red and brown on both~~ sides. Free ~~of handling marks and identifiable only by a tiny planchet flake above the eighth star. Well up in Roger's Condition census, in which only a half dozen are known in Mint State, and doubtless few possess the alluring original color that this example has. One for the connoisseur who appreciates the finest available, and one you won't need to improve.~~
DIE_STATE: Faint crack through the first three stars and the usual crack through ED STATE on the reverse. Minor rim crumbling above AME appears from the slight off-center strike.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-591
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
ESR_VALUE:
RESERVE:

September 1972

Almost entirely red, faded to brown on portions of the surfaces and immaculate with a tiny planchet flake above the eighth star. One of the very finest known, and at the level this is only a matter of personal preference as to which is the finest known.

28. Cohen, RECORD NO: 270 Lot 265

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another. 5.35 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: ~~Deep brown color with original gloss clinging to the devices. One small rim mark above Liberty identifies this coin as the plate coin for both editions of Roger's book. Minor red color on Liberty's bust. Overshadowed by the previous example, but important in its own right, and worth a strong bid from a knowledgable collector.~~
DIE_STATE: Weak at the rims from die wear, and with the obverse crack through the first three stars, another along ED STATE. Rim crumbling uncertain due to centering.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-592
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Stacks ~ Dec 1970

Mostly deep brown with traces of red on Liberty's bust, and a small rim mark above Liberty. The only surface flaw. Plate coin of both of Roger's books

Cohen RECORD NO. 271

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Large 0 over small 0; point of leaf to left edge of O. 5.42 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Medium brown and pleasing, although the surfaces have an average number of circulation marks. Probably cleaned long ago and now retoned, with a few lighter areas on ~~either~~ both sides ~~side. A good, affordable coin to represent this scarce variety.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state, before both dies were ~~reground~~ lapped. ~~One curious fact to note is the line from the left edge of Liberty's neck to the upper ribbon. This was caused by a flaw in the master hub prepared by John Reich. Perhaps Robert Scot (who Reich hoped to replace as head engraver) had a hand in this flaw. Whatever the case, this flaw can be seen on 1809 Cohen-6, 1811 Cohen 1, and others to a lesser extent of this period.~~
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: The hub flaw is visible on the obverse from the left edge of Liberty's neck to the upper ribbon.
OWNER_NO: 2-594
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Another. 5.33 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Darkly toned with dull surfaces. Well struck and pleasing with no significant handling marks or abrasions. ~~One for the collector who needs this scarce variety in high grade.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the obverse and reverse were lapped. The hub flaw is clear, as are the curls and leaves.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-598
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 273

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 10
DESCRIP: Brown throughout, although the obverse has some unfortunate scratches and a mark before Liberty's chin. Plated in the first edition of Roger's work on Half Cents.
DIE_STATE: Earl[illegible]e state before the dies were lapped.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-600
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

E- Cohen RECORD NO: 274

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.30 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Well struck and details of a higher grade, but a long pin scratch ~~can be seen~~ from above the T in LIBERTY to the rim between stars nine and ten. A spot resides between LI too. The field before Liberty's face and her neck show roughness which may have been in the die.
DIE_STATE: Early die state before they were lapped.
PEDIGREE: from a Coin Galleries Sale, November 1985, Lot 1525
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-595
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Check die's state

COHEN RECORD NO. 275

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: GLOSSY MINT STATE 1809 COHEN-4
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Mint State 60. Another. 5.60 grams. GS Brown
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Glossy fields that boast original mint color and frosty luster. Struck after the dies were lapped down, reducing the crispness of the devices. Rarely encountered in Mint State, ~~this example should attract strong bidding from specialists in the series~~. Plated in the 1982 edition of Roger's <MI>American Half Cents<M> as the "Late State", both obverse and reverse.
DIE STATE: As a common practice in the mint, after the dies appear ed to have worn or develop rust marks in the fields, they ~~are~~ were often removed and ~~filed down<197>~~lapped to remove the stray marks. The result is often weak detail on the devices, as seen on the coin here. Liberty's upper curls have been reduced shallow, indistinct lumps above her coronet. On the reverse, several leaves have all but disappeared, and the ribbon at the base of the wreath is now very weak. The dies simply didn't have the detail to produce the usual high quality definition of the early strikes. ~~and these dies were soon retired to the dust bin of history.~~
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y By W. & Raymond July 1979
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-593
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

MS Cohen, RECORD NO. 276

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 5.56 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: What a curious coin, there is little wear on the surfaces, but the dies have been so severly lapped that the coin has little detail on the upper devices of the obverse. Some red ~~coloring~~ is noted on Liberty. Free of handling marks from circulation and quite a choice coin to represent the late, lapped die state.
DIE_STATE: ~~Very weak on Liberty's curls from die lapping. This obverse of this coin probably looked like it would grade Very Good from the time it was struck because of this lapping.~~ Sharper on the reverse, with most of the leaves strong except those reduced by the lapping just below the legend.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray D. Munde~~
PHOTO: Y? Ex Pac Federal July 1992
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-599
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Area of the obverse probably was struck only with the details of a very good because of the lapping.

Cohen, RECORD NO. 277

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. <BI>Double struck!<B> 5.30 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Medium brown color and free of distracting marks. One tiny pit located in a middle curl on Liberty's shoulder and some minor roughness in the reverse letters. ~~Double struck, but only visible on Liberty's face from her chin to her nose and along the lower bust line of the obverse. Similarly, the reverse is double struck, but distinct on the letters H and L.~~ The first strike is only slightly rotated from the second strike. For some reason, most of the initial strike disappeared when it was restruck. ~~Still and all, few are known to exhibit any trace of doubling and certain to please enthusiasts of this series.~~
DIE STATE: Late die state with Liberty's curls weak.
PEDIGREE: Ex Dickeat Hessing PA May 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-596
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Double struck, the doubling is apparent at left of Liberty's face and bustline and on the Hand L on the reverse

Cohen, RECORD NO. 278

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-4. Rarity 3. Very Good 8. Another. 5.23 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VG
GRADE_NO: 8
DESCRIP: <MI>Double struck.<M> On this example, the first strike just clipped the coin below the wreath, bending a small amount of the planchet. The second strike was on center, with a small ridge above Liberty's upper curl. Dark brown ~~color,~~ but roughness on ~~either side~~ and some patches of corrosion, especially on the reverse. ~~No detail remains from the first strike.~~
DIE_STATE: ~~Likely this is the lapped obverse~~ and ~~reverse state.~~
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Frank Wilkinson~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-597
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Both sides

The catalogue bought this coin for RSC at the 1986 ANA baltimore [illegible]

Cohen RECORD NO. 279

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: GORGEOUS MINT STATE 1809 COHEN-5
DATE: 1809#
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity I. Mint State 63. ~~09 dis~~tant; ~~point of leaf just past 63, small lump under 63~~ 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Superb surfaces and faded glowing mint color ~~greet the eye when examined. For only in a long while does one find~~ <MI>any<M> ~~Half Cent retains the original look and color that this coin has. Even if this 1809 is beyond your means, take the time to enjoy its radiance during lot viewing. For but a single bidder will have the pleasure of owning it, but all will understand its visually stunning appearance.~~ See Most of the blazing red color has mellowed to a light tan, but enough remains to dazzle ~~the eye~~. Free of contact marks or detractions. Well struck too, especially on Liberty. A superb coin that is ~~well up in the Condition Census.~~ One of the top
DIE STATE: The crack through stars four through six is plain, as is the lump beneath A3.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde. No! Clear Known.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-601 Ex Michael Morrissey June 1986
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Lot 275

cohen, RECORD NO: 280

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5 Rarity 1. Another. Very Fine 35. 5.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Dark brown color on both sides, and free of distracting marks or spots. Possibly cleaned long ago, as the devices have a greenish hue in the surrounding fields.
DIE_STATE: Usual die crack from stars four through six.
PEDIGREE: Ex Jess Patrick
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-603
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TYPE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 231

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another. 5.46 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a more natural brown color, with lighter shades near the devices. Well struck on Liberty's curls, but weak on the radial lines of the stars.
DIE_STATE: The three star crack is clear and a tiny crack above the back curl n the top of Liberty's head to the rim. ~~This crack may have been reported as a die file line, but appears crooked enough for us to discount this explanation.~~ Not rare as most coin examined have this crack from the curl to the rim.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-605
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

...ner, RECORD NO. 282

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809#
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Wonderful light tan ~~color~~ on ~~either side~~ both sides, but there is some minor verdigris in the devices. A pair of keg marks are located between Liberty's head and the upper right stars. ~~Great for the collector.~~
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with both obverse cracks: one through stars four to six, the other from Liberty's back curl to rim above her head.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-604
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN RECORD NO. 2:

DENOM:
TYPE: DRAPED
FEATURES: ~~FAMOUS LATE DIE STATE OF 1809 COHEN-5~~
DATE: 1809#
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: 1809, 9 over inverted 9. Cohen-5. Rarity I. Good. Another 4.72 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO:
DESCRIP: Typical dark brown color on ~~either side~~ both sides. Normal handling marks for the grade, including a few minor scrapes on the right hand stars and a single mark above A4 on the reverse. ~~What is <M> unusual <M> about~~ This coin is the terminal die state, with two cuds on the obverse. The only coin we know of with either cud, and ~~certainly rare as the obverse die would have been quickly replaced after breaking so badly.~~ Heavy ~~cuds~~ on the obverse, one reaches toward Liberty's bust, the other just touches the 0. Additionally the third star has a lumpy break near the rim, touching its outer point. An extraordinary coin.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO: E
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-602
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cud breaks

pitted states first

Jack Shelby August

Bought Dec. 1970

COHEN RECORD NO. 284

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. 0 low, ~~triple dentil above Liberty's upper curl;~~ point of leaf between S O. 5.55 grams.
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Dark brown ~~color~~ on either side. A dark streak curves horizonatally through her middle curls, other spots and lumps mostly confined to the wreath. Nice surfaces otherwise, with few signs of handling or abuse. Nearly impossible to find with any red mint color. Plated in Roger's second edition as the "Early Die State", both obverse and reverse.
DIE STATE: ~~Rim crumbling has claimed a number of dentils from 1 o'clock to 3 o'clock on the obverse.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Don Frederick [illegible] 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-606
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO. 28

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity I. Extremely Fine 45. Another. 5.43 grams.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 45
DESCRIP: Orange red ~~in color~~. Likely from ~~an ancient~~ cleaning, and now retoning. One dark area on the right obverse, along the stars, the reverse has a single pit on N2, as well as some mottling. In addition, a mark ~~has settled~~ above NT. Sharply ~~impressed~~ and very acceptable for the grade.
DIE STATE: ~~Early~~ die state with the crack along the tops of STATE, but no trace of the rim crumbling (the centering is not conducive to showing the rim).
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-608
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 286

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another. 5.53 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade, but the obverse and reverse have abundant marks. Nice color with hints of red.
DIE_STATE: One small rim break is visible above Liberty, and the crack through STATE is present.
PEDIGREE: ? Purchased at an unknown auction July 1969
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-607
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Cohen, RECORD NO. 287

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity I. Very Good 10. Another. 5.31 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VG
GRADE NO: 10
DESCRIP: Struck with the usual rotated reverse, this one about 200<198> clockwise. Some minor scrapes and scratches. Struck after the reverse die had worn ~~quite a bit~~, weakening the legend: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
DIE STATE: Rather than fail by spectacular breakage, this reverse ~~choose to~~ slowly fade away, with each strike weakening the legend until it is hard to read, even in high grade.
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Paul Munson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-611
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ray Hode - September 1992

LE COHEN RECORD NO. 248

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Good 5. Another. 5.35 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Again, details of a higher grade, but roughness and a healthy rim mark above star eight reduce the grade. The reverse too, has its share of rim marks and collateral damage from circulation. Here we find the reverse die rotated 250<198> clockwise from normal.
DIE STATE: Early die state with the crack faint through STATE.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-609
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

June 1997

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 289

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1809
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-6. Rarity 1. Good 6. Another. 5.20 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: Typical surfaces for the grade, however, one red spot of corrosion has claimed the lower left wreath below E4. A scrape can be located on the reverse rim above AT, and a pin scratch extends horizontally at the center. Struck while the reverse die had rotated 170<198> clockwise from normal. ~~Many collectors like to assemble sets of these rotated reverse dies, based on the number of degrees from normal. From those offered here, a set varied quite nicely. One wonders if the reverse die commenced to rotate, thus unscrewing itself, when it fell from the coining press. Hence the name, Giant Worm Die.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state with only a trace of the crack through STATE, although condition makes this hard to determine.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-610
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 240 Lot 285

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1810
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 50. ~~The 0 in date and B in headband are both repunched, B below B at base.~~ 5.49 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Light brown ~~color~~ and very sharp for this early die state. In fact, the surfaces are clean, with few signs of handling. A glass reveals some shallow pin scratches running vertically on Liberty's face and there is a rim mark at 12 o'clock above. ~~Still and all, glossy and graceful.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state with a faint crack from the upper curl to star seven. The reverse has a trace of the "crack" along the tops of ED STATES, ~~but it is so perfectly curved along those letters that this may have been a set-up for the die engraver.~~ Later, after many strikings, this may have caused a weakness in the die which does crack.
PEDIGREE: Ex Jerry Cohen, Dec. 1977
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-612
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 221

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SCARCE MINT STATE 1810
DATE: 1810
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Another. 5.45 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Medium brown with hints of subdued mint color in the fields near the devices. A glass reveals trivial specks on the obverse, a few more on the reverse, ~~as usual for copper. There is no question that Mint State 1810's are scarce. Roger knew of only seven when he updated his "Mint American Half Cents" in 1982. Others report more, often with color or surface problems. So when a nice one like this appears, he prepared to pay a premium for this quality.~~ Well struck on Liberty's curls, but weak on the right stars and AMERICA, as the dies became misaligned, thereafter failing to strike up the right side of the coin. ~~An elegant composition by John Reich, supposedly his mistress represent "liberty."~~
DIE_STATE: Late die state with the crack through TED STATES, another from the center of Liberty's jaw to her middle curls, and the ever present one through stars six and seven to her upper curl.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde [illegible] 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-613
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO. 292

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1810
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity, 2. Good 4. Another. <BI>~~This one a bit~~ off-center.<B> 5.37 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Struck about 5% off-center toward 3 o'clock and with the reverse die rotated nearly 270<198> clockwise. Some ~~craters~~ pit above the third star, a shallow scratch across Liberty and a scrape over stars five through seven. Also, there are two pits on the top of Liberty. The reverse cleaner, with a single rim mark over T3. Furthermore, the reverse is well centered. ~~How this one was made is a bit of a mystery, and hence Reggie's interest in it. On balance, not that bad, and acceptable for the grade. One to study, and enjoy, without spending a fortune.~~

only a period

DIE STATE: Apparently the late die state, with weak legend, but the condition makes it difficult to ascertain.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-614
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

February 1991

Dr. Cohen, RECORD NO: 293

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ELEGANT 1811 COHEN-1
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Extremely Fine 40-18 wide, ~~double dentil right of star eight; berry under the center of A2~~. 5.42 grams.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: Choice milk chocolate color throughout. Well struck and centered with about half of the obverse stars showing their radial lines. One tiny scratch from the second star to the rim, another on the back of E3. ~~Both sides show minute evidence of scraping, perhaps to reduce trivial corrosion spots. All this is perhaps overkill, since the surfaces and strike of this very coarse coin are quite average for the grade. Roger believed that approximately 1/2 of the existing coins are in the early state. Plated in the first edition (reverse and reverse) of his book, and a very important coin.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state before the obverse cracks from the rim through the first four stars. ~~One of the many curiosities of early coinage is the date 1811. For some reason, many of the dies were produced from dies made through half-eagles that had the same date. The reason for this is not clear. They really [illegible] perhaps the engraver was [illegible] for the mint, then engraving these dies. Whatever the reason, dates set up with coinage has a very different flavor when compared with years prior or after.~~
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-615
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Roger believe there are about 1811 coins including the related A few scattered marks, possibly [illegible] within the most significant one. Miss Liberty's neck. Tied with about eight others for fourth finest known in collections, handy (a great ex proof in the Smithsonian).

By Golden Years July 1970

FILE Cohen, RECORD No. 296

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Good 4. Another 5.45 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 4
DESCRIP: Slightly double struck on the obverse with doubling on the date and several stars. Evenly porous and with a good quota of pin marks and even a few rim bumps. Early die state. Nice color in spite of the porosity.
DIE STATE: Early die state, no trace of the obverse ~~star crack~~ rim break.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-416
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Probably part of the doubling is the result of the cutting of the dole appearance [illegible] direct [illegible] the double struck [illegible] 1811. No cent [illegible] the 1811 [illegible] reported [illegible]

1989

Ex B & H Coins of Topeka Kansas at the ANA Convention

U.S. COIN RECORD NO. 495

DENOM: [illegible]
TYPE: [illegible]
FEATURES: RARE TWO STAR BREAK 1811
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Good 5. Another. <BI>Two Star obverse break.<B> 5.01 grams.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade but both sides have been entirely stripped and burnished, likely to reduce corrosion. Now toned a pleasant tan to brown, but all devices are mushy from the processing. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, obverse only. As this obverse continued to strike more and more obvious crack formed from the first four obverse stars. Another crack developed from the rim to the second star suddenly. Mr. Bangs, the chip broke off the die creating this two star cud. It wasn't long before another chip broke away creating the second and ever popular four star cud. Only a few have been found with the two star break. It was first discovered by Roger in 1953 and even with extensive publication no high grade ones have been found. Like the most coins of this type, it is most frequently collected by those specializing in dates with the two star break being one of the most difficult to locate.
DIE STATE: The obverse cud has formed from the first before the style but covering three points of star one and two points of star two.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross May 1954
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-617
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

This is the image of Roger's book, obverse only. Known with the two star break.

Front View with the break

The image of the coin is from the die break although there is a die break at the rim.

Three and four and a break at the rim.

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RST
RSC

THE Cohen RECORD NO: 296

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SPECTACULAR FOUR STAR BREAK 1811
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 4. Extremely Fine 45. Another. <BI>With the Four Star Break<B>. 5.38 grams.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 45
DESCRIP: A beautiful coin, not only because of the full strike, but enchanting dark chocolate color provides a tantilizing beautiful background for this most spectacular die break. Duly noted as "quite rare in the Gilbert v. Sawyer book <MI>The United States Half Cents<M>. Back in 1996, this variety has been immortalized since its appearance there on plate IV. The only superior date obverse die for sale in 1996 Schenal (the 1811, 1813 and 1814 Cohen-1) [illegible] cracks, not mere cuds as seen here. Cohen cud, [illegible] on obverse dies, but rev cud. Compare with the notorious [illegible] Roger believed about [illegible] Cohen [illegible] cud, marking it [illegible] grades by all serious collectors as rare gem. Plated in Roger's second edition, this particular example has few identifying marks: one tiny scratch connects the base of the I to the top of the I on the obverse, while the reverse has a small planchet flake below the left foot of A3. Always popular with collectors and certain to bring a strong price, which it wholeheartedly deserves. [illegible]

Second finest known with the four star break, one of only 2 at VF 6 [illegible]

DIE STATE: In addition to the towering cud from the rim to the outer three points of stars one through three, and two points of star four, a crack extends along the outer points of star four through seven. Another crack is faint through the outer points of stars ten through thirteen. Perhaps if the mint had continued to strike coins, there may have been an eleven star cud. B

rim break

PEDIGREE: Ex K. P. Austin
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-618
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex K P Austin October 1971 sale NANA Collection

THE COHEN RECORD NO. 297

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHOICE 1811 COHEN-2 HALF CENT
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Extremely Fine 40. 18 close, berry under center of A2. 5.46 grams.
GRADE QUAL: EF
GRADE NO: 40
DESCRIP: Dark brown ~~color and decently struck for the variety, which is noted for its weakness after the dies clashed.~~ $cattered marks, none of consequence, ~~and within reach of the low end of the condition census for the variety.~~ Weak at the tops of TED STA and opposing obverse stars. ~~A coin for the specialist and worthy of the finest collection.~~
DIE STATE: Struck after the dies had clashed, with some of the wreath visible around Liberty's tower curls. ~~No trace of the reverse cracks, as described on the later coins.~~ ~~Coinage of Half Cents stopped after 1811 — the mint had finally run out of bulldog metal. Half cents dated 1812 through the C-2's 1811's were saved in high grade, and most of the coins are low grade and [illegible] problems.~~
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO:
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 298

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND CHOICE 1811 COHEN-2
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 35. Another. 5.44 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 30 35
DESCRIP: Here is another lovely 1811 ~~Half Cent~~. The fields show traces of faded mint color and the balance of the coin is a nice light tan. A tiny nick on Liberty's chin ~~(and who doesn't have one of these?)~~ identifies this as the plate coin for the second edition of <MI>American Half Cents.<M> ~~A pair of small scratches extend across the lower obverse. Always popular for the few mintage and one of the most difficult dates to find without major problems. An important acquisition for the aficionado of these historic pieces.~~ Although the one is in the lower half of the condition census, the choice specimen is more attractive than 1/3 of the VF's. Later die state, with multiple crash marks surrounding Liberty's lower curls, and the beginnings of the crack from the rim to the tip of F, which also extends a ~~few microns~~ to the left of the left serif.
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. Weber, earlier Stack's Sale, October 1976, Lot 22 (At which RSC was [illegible])
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-619
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Print Cover RECORD NO. 245

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1811
MINT MK:	
GRADE_TEXT:	Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Good 10. Another. 5.38 grams.
GRADE_QUAL:	VG
GRADE_NO:	10
DESCRIP:	Dark and porous on both sides, ~~likely from long exposure to moisture.~~ However, the details are of a much higher grade, as shown. One wiggly scrape from the fourth star up towards Liberty's eye and from there up nearly to the seventh star identifies this as the plate coin used in Roger's first edition. Another tiny fleck is located above I on the reverse and these are about the only signs of contact on this coin.
DIE_STATE:	An important late die state on the reverse. The crack extends both left (slightly) and right to the rim from the top of F. Another crack connects the tops of MER and hints exist between AM that it continues there. ~~What is the latest state reported and likely struck from the bottom of the hub, a hole/cut-out emerges, which would not be noticed if the hub had been used for multiple reverse dies before the hub reached their second.~~
PEDIGREE:	Purchased at the 1971 ANA show
PHOTO:	Y
COLOR:	The obverse late [illegible] between [illegible]
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER_NO:	2-623 [illegible]
SORT_SEQ:	
ASSIGN_LOT:	
EST_VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO: 300

Lyons

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1811
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another. <BI>Double Struck.<B> 5.21 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 4
DESCRIP: Nice brown color and typical surfaces for the grade. Initially struck way off-center at 11 o'clock on the obverse, with only a row of dentils and dent remaining. On the reverse, the evidence is less clear, as the planchet was bent by the first striking and was realigned during the second on-center strike. A few minor digs on the reverse, mostly near the off-center strike. ~~Seldom encountered in any grade, double struck half cents, especially an 1811, are a great rarity.~~ One of the most [illegible] known to FEL
DIE STATE: Apparently an early die state, but wear may have obliterated the clash marks. Die state indeterminate.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munson~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-621 Ex Wm R Raymond March 1980
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

RECORD NO: 301

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine ~~26~~ 35. ~~Center of Liberty's~~ Curl above 5; ~~or distant~~.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: ~~25~~ 35
DESCRIP: Light brown with some reddish hints in the obverse fields. The obverse has a few small spots, the worst hiding very close to Liberty's lips. On the reverse, some areas of dark verdigris are noticeable, one on and below the ribbon, others in the lettering and devices. Plated in the first edition, ~~both obverse and reverse~~ of Roger's Half Cent book. ~~Well balanced for the grade and a decidedly scarce Rarity 3 variety, even in this grade.~~

this one is best of these points below the lower curl, the CC, the ribbon, no coin is so

DIE STATE: Early die state before the obverse die cracked vertically through the uppermost curl of Liberty down to her shoulder curl. A trace of obverse die rust between and below the RT on the obverse. Examination reveals a curious lump on the edge, resulting from a weak or broken seam in the collar, ~~this lump is located on the edge near the [illegible] and is present on most of the coins from this variety (it is not [illegible] often one has two examples of this variety [illegible] given moment for [illegible] through [illegible] break). This collar break is very similar to that seen on about half of the 1832 [illegible] Dames.~~

Not actually

PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray D. Wunder~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-624
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex J.E. Kleiner Jr. 1963

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 512

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: WITH 1825 COHEN-1 HALF CENT
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 55. Another
GRADE QUAL: AU MS
GRADE NO: 55 60
DESCRIP: A radiant coin that has nearly full mint color and frosty luster throughout. At first glance, most would call this coin Mint State, but a glass reveals cabinet friction on the upper elevations of the design. We are lucky that this is a fairly early strike, as several stars show repunching. These include the first, second, sixth and eighth stars. There is no question that this coin is in the Condition Census for this scarce variety, only a half dozen are listed in Mint State, with another half dozen in About Uncirculated. A rare and beautiful offering for the discriminating collector.
DIE STATE: Struck with the reverse die rotated about 50<198> clockwise. The collar break is again sharp, on this coin it is located between stars twelve and thirteen. As far as the vertical obverse break, it is faint, but extends from the rim to the shoulder curl of Liberty.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER NO: 2-623
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

This is the only Mint State example of 1825 Cohen-1 I have seen, therefore the finest known.

From a Walter from Pennsylvania at the 1971 ANA convention

FILE COHEN RECORD NO. 313

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-I. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: ~~20~~ 35
DESCRIP: Dark brown and mottled, perhaps from an ancient cleaning and retoning. The surfaces are too rough for the detail, hence we've knocked the grade down a bit. Weakly struck on most of the left hand stars. Glossy.
DIE STATE: Rust located around RT, the obverse crack a bit stronger now. The collar break is located on the edge near star twelve.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-625
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO: 304

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: GD
GRADE_NO: 5
DESCRIP: Light brown color, with some darker areas sprinkled in. Nice for the grade overall.
DIE_STATE: The collar edge break is visible near star twelve. Rusted in RT, the vertical crack missing due to wear.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-626
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen RECORD NO 306

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A COLLECTION OF 1825 COHEN-1'S WITH ROTATED REVERSES
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 6. Another.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 6
DESCRIP: CIeaned and retoned with a few orange areas on the reverse. A bit battered from circulation. Struck with the reverse die rotated about 100<198>.
DIE STATE: The collar edge break is faint, but located near star twelve. Also, the obverse crack is present as well as the rust at RT.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-627
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen/ RECORD NO: 306

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another.
GRADE QUAL: F
GRADE NO: 15
DESCRIP: Nice brown color, all original and details of a higher grade. However, some porosity is located below Liberty's bust and on the reverse. In addition, a red spot resides on Liberty's jaw, and a cut is located in the left obverse field. Some verdigris, mostly on the reverse. On this coin, the reverse is rotated about 120<198> clockwise.
DIE STATE: The collar break on the edge at star twelve is just starting. Rust at RT and the obverse crack beginning.
PEDIGREE: ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-629
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

LM- COHEN RECORD NO. 307

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Dark steel blue atop the usual brown. A few handling marks, but nothing harsh or annoying. The reverse die had rotated about 120<198> when this one slid down the coining chute. No trace of the edge collar break.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munsen~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-628
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 308

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Delightful color and only a few marks from being choice. The marks are located in the left obverse field and on Liberty's face. Minor verdigris on the reverse, none damaging. As the mint continued striking coins, the reverse die continued to rotate. On this example, the reverse had rotated 180<198> from normal.
DIE_STATE: Late die state. The obverse crack is bold under a glass, rust at RT and the edge collar break is light.
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Paul Kunson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR: Stack's, Apr 1977
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-630
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 309

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 5. Another.
GRADE QUAL: GD
GRADE NO: 5
DESCRIP: Wholly porous with black fields and brown devices. Not one for the beauty contest, by still interesting to study. The reverse is rotated 180<198>. No trace of the collar break on the edge, perhaps due to wear and porosity.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Munson~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-631
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 110

DENOM:	
TYPE:	
FEATURES:	
DATE:	1825
MINT MK:	
GRADE TEXT:	Cohen-1. Rarity 3. Good 4. Another.
GRADE QUAL:	GD
GRADE NO:	4
DESCRIP:	Light tan color with some mottling and porosity. Acceptable for the grade. No trace of the edge collar break or obverse crack due to wear.
DIE STATE:	
PEDIGREE:	~~Dr. Paul Munson~~
PHOTO:	
COLOR:	
EMPHASIZE:	
OWNER NO:	2-632
SORT SEQ:	
ASSIGN LOT:	
EST VALUE:	
RESERVE:	

FILE COIN RECORD NO. 39

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. Center of Liberty's curl over left edge of 5. ~~Of distant~~
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 55
DESCRIP: Another beautiful coin that boasts milk chocolate color on the obverse, and abundant faded mint shades on the reverse. Both sides are lustrous and very choice. Two small specks on the reverse below ME and another in the obverse field near stars two and three. However, there are three file marks on the obverse dentils, one at the top, another near the bust tip and lastly by the thirteenth star. Still a beautiful coin even with its distractions.
DIE STATE: The collar break is sharp along the edge near star thirteen, similar to those examples of Cohen-1 of this year.
PEDIGREE: Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Philip Showers
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-633
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Phillips Showers collection via Joe Flynn in July 1977

TITLE COINS, RECORD NO. 312

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1825
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Very Fine 35. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Choice color and obverse surfaces, the reverse has a red spot on T3 and a planchet lamination (crack only) between S and O. The obverse has a shallow gouge below the 8. ~~Again, a pretty coin that should please most collectors.~~
DIE_STATE: The edge has a strong collar break between stars ten and eleven and the reverse die is rotated about 10<198> clockwise.
PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin N. Douglas 1-1960
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-63C
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 335

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 55.~~ Die file lines right of 6; leaf tip well past S2.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: ~~55~~ 65
DESCRIP: Choice mint color and luster throughout with superb surfaces. One shadowy area above Liberty's head, another on the reverse near OF. The only contact marks are minute, mostly in the field or on Liberty's face. Wonderful cartwheel, ~~and certain to please for the grades~~
DIE_STATE: Later obverse die state with a crack from the first star to bust, another branching near the rim connecting stars two and three. No trace of the edge collar break.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond and Jon Hanson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-635
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Mint State 65

the 5 about the fifth Proof Unknown

[illegible] 1826

Acquired from Ray Munde in Sept 1972

Julius Reiter graded this one MS 65

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO: 576

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826 Almost Uncirculated
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 50. Another
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Light brown on the obverse ~~with some verdigris~~, the reverse with varying hues from dark brown to tan. Some of the reverse spots are heavy, including one on the stem end and on ME. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, and the die scratches to the right of the die have worn out of the die
DIE_STATE: The obverse cracks on stars one through three are present.
PEDIGREE: Ex Stack's store stock April 1971
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-636
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 315

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25 35
DESCRIP: Steel gray color from minor porosity on ~~either side~~ both sides. A couple of shallow scrapes on the central reverse and some small red spots are visible. The reverse die was rotated about 300<198> clockwise when this coin was struck.
DIE_STATE: The obverse cracks through the first three stars are faint.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Karson~~ Ex Ray Munde Sept 1972
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-638
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Jim

According to my notes, AMERICA was doubled on every other 1826 #1 list. It should be the one. Am I correct?

FILE: COHEN, RECORD NO. 516

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another.
Struck off-center.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~20~~ 25
DESCRIP: Struck about 10% off-center, as illustrated, and quite ~~dramatic~~ dramatically we might add. The surfaces are choice, with dark brown color on both sides. ~~Fairly mint errors such as this are always in demand. We haven't been able to assist selection since our Ruby sale in 1974.~~
DIE_STATE: Usual die state with cracks through the first three stars, previously described.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Ex William K. Raymond - Dec 1984
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-637
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: Cohen RECORD NO: 317

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 50. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Light tan in the fields with some darker areas on the obverse, all tan on the reverse. A few microscopic scratches on the reverse between D S and in the center around HALF are the only surface detractions.
DIE_STATE: This obverse die has a strange feature, apparently the engraver first placed the 6 sideways in the die, then corrected the error, placing the 6 upright. Jack Beymer first reported this bumble in 1981. In addition, the reverse die has the distinction of having a thorny wreath, has several sharp projections extend outward from the leaves and stems. These projections were probably caused by filing of die to remove burrs or clash marks.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-639
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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This one is second finest known, only exceeded by an MS-65 example reportedly in Jim McGurgan's in a southern type set.

Lot 240 Stacks Feb 1972 to Raymond - RSC June 1972

[illegible] Record No. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. About Uncirculated 55. [illegible] over horizontal [illegible] leaf under S2.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55
DESCRIP: A beautiful prooflike coin that has warm light brown toning with an arc of brown along the right obverse, while the reverse is an even milk chocolate brown. Several large spots on the obverse, one above Liberty on the left, another from the date to the thirteenth star and another below the bust tip. On the reverse a single spot is located between RI. Two of the obverse spots have minute scratches where a pin was used to scrape off portions of the spots. Still, a rare coin in this grade and ~~thought to be unique in the condition census for the variety~~ with only 3 Mint State examples listed and 6 in about Uncirculated.
DIE STATE: The dies were clearly polished before this coin was struck, although the spikes on the wreath are still sharp. Struck before the dies clashed, but after the they were reground to reduce the horizontal [illegible] to a small tail on the tower right and a lump below the ball.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex St. Kerkele, J. Sartorio, Oct 4, Stack's [illegible] and Ex C. Wurm~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-698
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] of the variety

Ex Dr. Jesse S. Willard Blaisdell - W. K. Rayne
6b RSC July 1979

is the finest known

Frank Gilbert made a mid-decision about the coin, possibly doing a Proof, noting that it is worth [illegible] that it is worth [illegible]

I no longer a Proof-[illegible] recommendation [illegible] Proof

Jim, Only 1 Mint State specimen is known, the rest are so called Unc. [illegible] listed in Auction catalogs prior to 1950

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 Brown with choice surfaces
DESCRIP: ~~Choice surfaces and brown color~~, one small rim mark near the date and corresponding part of the reverse. ~~A scarce variety in obtainable condition.~~ The reverse die is rotated 180<198>.
DIE_STATE: Early die state before the star break formed.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-640
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Price 1826 # 2 is sold in pt 1 Grade order

317 Price 352, 318, 319, 320

FILE: COHEN RECORD NO. 319

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1826
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Struck with the reverse die rotated 180°(198°) from normal. Dark brown with some minor verdigris. The reverse has a myriad of shallow pin marks, which require a strong glass to see. Plated in the first edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse. been lapped
DIE_STATE: The dies appear to have ~~ground down a bit~~ but the erroneous 6 and thorns are still visible.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-642
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Purchased at a New York Coin Shop on 43rd Street in April 19

Lot 316

FILE: cohen, RECORD NO. 320

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: RARE 1826 COHEN-2 WITH THE TWO STAR ~~OBVERSE CUD~~ Rim Break
DATE: 1826
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 3. Fine 15. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15

DESCRIP: Lovely light brown color on ~~either side~~ both sides. However, there are ~~some shallow scratches and a number~~ a few gouges on and below Liberty, as illustrated. What is wonderful about this coin is the obverse cud break. For the die has now failed, a large chip has fallen away encompassing the fourth and fifth stars. An impressive coin in spite of its minor problems. Only five or so are known, this coin rated ~~as the second best with the break~~ clearly the nine other make many more this die ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] fourth [illegible] known with the break, only the Ellison specimen is deemed finer.

DIE_STATE: The popular authors of Half Cents only refer to the cud break ~~apparently not at least with clear [illegible]~~ [illegible] forms. Perhaps some dolt dropped the obverse die after ~~attempting yet another restoration, or more likely the obverse just gave way, cracking apart under the repeated striking pressures~~

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Sept. 1982
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-641
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Technically speaking the coin is a later die state than the other five specimens as the rim break includes the detail at the western point of star three, on the other three the detail is clearly visible. No 1826 C2 has yet been found with just a crack, despite a diligent search by several hopeful cherry pickers.

1: COHEN RECORD NO: 32

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~Extremely fine 45.~~ Date evenly spaced; upper leaf below S.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~EF~~ AU
GRADE_NO: ~~45~~ 50
DESCRIP: One keg mark on Liberty's neck, another in the field near the second star. The color is a medium to dark brown with a single spot below Liberty's chin, smaller ones on the reverse. A choice coin for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Light clash marks on the reverse, but no trace of the line connecting A4 to E4.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-643
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Although Underweighed 50

Sept 1972

we know of two - three red incrustated examples followed by that one set to test fully made examples

FILE: CONT RECORD NO: 322

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~Extremely Fine 45~~. Another. Almost Uncirculated 50
GRADE_QUAL: ~~EF~~ AU
GRADE_NO: ~~45~~ 50
DESCRIP: Gently cleaned and retoned to a speckled gold, with one dark toning area below T4 and beneath the ribbon. Only a few contact marks, and well struck. Plated obverse and reverse in both editions of Roger's <HI>American Half Cents.<H>
DIE_STATE: Late die state with multiple clash marks on the reverse, clearest between H and C2. In addition, the engraver's line extends from the upright of E4 and ends just short of the left foot of A4.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock April 1971
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-644
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Slabbed. Slab has not been cleaned

COIN NUMBER: 3X

DENOM:
TYPE: A Choice Mint State 1828 Twelve Star
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 2. ~~About Uncirculated 50~~. Another. Mint State 60
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: ~~50~~ 60
DESCRIP: Both sides possess ample mint fresh luster which is subdued only by medium milk chocolate toning. One minor toning streak extends from Liberty's ribbon end to the twelfth (final) star. On the reverse a tiny planchet flake is noted in the field from the upper left serif of F2. Additionally, minor spotting is located through RICA and below the wreath. At the base of the coin below the wreath, some of the spotting has been removed by gently buffing. Still and all, a beautiful coin even with its isolated problems.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceding with the file marks gone except for the lump on the right side of A1. New file marks can be seen, also extending vertically, through UNITE and the wreath.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray O. Munde Sept 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-646
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

RSC considered it a die break that the IT Unitied. You may want to consider this in your description.

COIN RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EARLY DIE STATE OF THE TWELVE STAR
DATE: 1828
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-2, Rarity 2. About Uncirculated 58. Twelve stars, outer bony holes left stand out.
GRADE QUAL: AU
GRADE NO: 50 55

DESCRIP: Choice color and surfaces which boast much of their original luster. Always popular for the twelve star obverse, an engraving error which apparently went unnoticed at the mint. Most examples have poorly struck stars on the left side, but this coin has part of the radial lines visible on all stars. As usual, minor weakness below TZ in the wreath, and also below CA.

DIE STATE: This appears to be an early die state. A glass is required to study the minute detail enumerated herein: one tiny lump beneath star thirteen, just right of the right edge of Liberty's lowest curl, another midfield between star twelve and her ribbon end. More importantly, a die file mark extends vertically through the upper left serif of I, out its middle on the right, fades out, then continues through the lower left serif of TI, fades out again, reappears under the outer leaf under ET. Another die file mark, at the same angle (nearly vertical) from the bottom left serif of A, through its center, forming a lump just above the crossbar on the right, fading in and out along the upper left serif of IS to the rim. Several letters on the reverse show strong doubling.

When dies are prepared using water hubs or other engraving tools, a number of rough areas and burrs need to be removed from the surfaces before striking. These protuberances are filed down, then the die is polished, making the inside smooth. However, sometimes file marks remain, appearing as raised lines similar to die breaks, but fade as more and more coins are struck, coupled with repolishing to remove clash marks.

PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-645
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Sept 1972

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 2 Extremely Fine. 45 Another
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: ~~35~~ 45
DESCRIP: Choice light tan ~~color~~ although a small spot resides on the back of Liberty's upper jaw, another below 2b, and a large red toning area above RA, others of less importance. Nevertheless, a beautiful example of this popular variety.
DIE_STATE: Identical die state to the preceeding, file marks through UNITE and no trace of the line through I, and most of the doubling on the reverse letters has been polished off.
PEDIGREE: Ex W. K. Raymond
PHOTO:
COLCR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-647
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] RECORD NO. [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. ~~Another~~ [illegible] of highest leaf part STATES
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Mint fresh luster on both sides, without the usual heavy toning spots. Most of the Mint State coins of this variety are likely from a hoard dispersed by Washington D.C. dealer Benjamin H. Douglas, who supposedly purchased them from "an old Black woman during the 1890's". It is thought that this hoard contained over 1,000 pieces, mostly spotted mint red coins. One tiny spot near the second 8 identifies this as the plate coin from Roger's first edition.
DIE STATE: Later die state with at least three sets of clash marks within the wreath on the reverse. The engravers line from the leaf above H is shorter than the preceding example.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Paul Hansen~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: Z-648
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] with [illegible] Mint State example, [illegible] that [illegible] a condition census is [illegible] possible.

From a [illegible] Michigan - July 1968.

[illegible]

We have absolutely irreconcilable differences of opinion on the grading of Mint State examples from 1828 through 1837. I would strongly suggest that in order to bridge the chasm the following be done: 1) Delete the Mint State numbers on the holders that are Mint State. 2) Say how much red is on the coin as per [illegible]. I find it [illegible] that you have described many [illegible] as 38% as old red w/ No number and [illegible] 60+ 60+ [illegible] 3) Mention die state & [illegible] marks.

[illegible]

TITLE: Cohen RECORD NO: 55

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1828
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 55. ~~82 Pretant, highest leaf just beyond 82.~~ Double Struck
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 55
DESCRIP: A beautiful specimen, the color is red to light brown and the devices are sharply impressed. ~~One planchet flaw inside above Liberty's upper curls, only affecting the dentils.~~ Only the upper devices show any wear, and they have toned down from the surrounding light tan.
DIE_STATE: Early die state with double clash marks outlining Liberty within the wreath.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray O. Hunda~~ K.P. Austin Dec. 1973
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-649
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

This one is just slightly double struck above Miss Liberty at the rim.

FILE COINS RECORD NO. 328

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SUPERB 1829 HALF CENT
DATE: 1829
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State ~~[illegible] one not too close, six and seven distant, high leaf tip just beyond 62.~~ Only variety of the year.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO:
DESCRIP: Wonderful fiery mint freshness on both sides, hints of original red and abundant luster abound. Boldly impressed and with only faint specks on both sides. A stunning coin that is very difficult to locate with so much mint color and such vibrant surfaces. ← % red
DIE_STATE: The long spike defect from C2 to H is visible only near the letters, and has faded considerably from others reported.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond via a Schulman sale, March 1968, Lot 357.
PHOTO: T
COLOR: T
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-650
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Schulman March 1968 Lot 357 W. Raymond Ray Munde R.S.C. Sept 1972

CHRON. REVIEW NO. 55

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1829
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another 55
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50 55
DESCRIP: Light tan with silky luster throughout. Tinges of original red near the devices. However, a number of spots exist: on the obverse rim adjacent to Liberty's bust, and the reverse between AL and above E3. On balance, a pretty coin for the grade.
DIE_STATE: Most of the line between C2 and K is gone.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-651
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Jon Hanson Aug 1972

Lot 326

RECORD NO: 330

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1829
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity I. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Medium brown and choice, save for two spots on the reverse, one below TE, another below t.
DIE_STATE: Usual die state, only part of the line from C2 to H visible.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-652
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Unlisted from our make
Mint & Mule?

Lot 326
R.S.C. Lot No. Has one of the low grades 1829's
Low elevated study = No Aquisition Date was listed

DELOC:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1829
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 20. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from Roger's first and second edition of <HI>American Half Cents<X>. Both the obverse and reverse have been plated to simulate fiery mint red, however, the obverse is mottled, mostly on Liberty, with brown color. Free of distracting marks.
DIE_STATE: Similar die state to the preceeding.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-653
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 332

DESIGN:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EXCEPTIONAL 1831 ORIGINAL HALF CENT
DATE: 1831
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Original. Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Extremely Fine 40. Small digits in date, large stars; leaf tip below right side of S2. Slight graining
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Medium brown toning and well struck. This coin circulated long enough to eliminate any hint of mint luster and obtained only trivial circulation marks, mostly hidden on the devices. Identifiable by a mark between the sixth star and Liberty's forehead, another on the reverse below T1. Although 2,200 are reported as being struck in Mint records, this seems unlikely as only about [illegible] are known of this business strike die pairing in addition to several proofs. ~~Always in demand and long known as one of the great rarities in the half cent series.~~ Plated in both editions of Reiver Book. This is the third finest known circulated example.
DIE_STATE: So few were struck that the dies had no time to break. One of the curious features of this reverse die is the extra base of E below the wreath under E2. This oddity was discovered by Jules Reiver in 1976 using an 1832 Cohen-1 (which used the same reverse die as this 1831). Only the lower serif is clear; the balance of the letters is hidden by the wreath above.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray O. Munde, earlier [illegible] Atwater [illegible]
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-654
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Neil Atwater Tuned 1946 Lot 153 - Ray Munde -

Neil Atwater Tuned 1946 Lot 153 - Ben's Stamp & Coin Co.

Chicago - Ray Munde - RSC

COIN RECORD NO. 555

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: A SECOND ORIGINAL 1831
DATE: 1831
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 6. Fine 12 15 Another. ? 19th grade
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15
DESCRIP: Details of a higher grade and with choice color. However, the reverse has been severely scraped and scratched through STATES, the wreath, HALF, ICA and below the ribbon. These scrapes damage several letters and the surrounding fields. Clearly a coin that should be viewed by prospective bidders as the obverse is free of these distractions. Rare and important nonetheless.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex John Cogan, W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-655
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

This is a very well struck Coin

Stack's "H.R. Lee" (Ethelbert's duplicate) October 1947 Lot 17

Stack's "R.L. Miller" April 1964 Lot 290 - Philip Brand - Pennsylvania Rare Coins

Lot 46 - World Wide Coin Investments - Ray Chatham - Jos. Cogan - R.S.C.

Surprisingly Rogan had placed a book bid at the Miller sale which was greater than the winning bid, but he didn't get it. When he did get it he was not inclined to sell it at trade, I guess

[illegible] RECORD NO. 554

DEMO:
TYPE: Proof Kissick 1832 C/S
FEATURES: ~~RESPECTABLE 1832 COHEN-1~~
DATE: 1832
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. ~~Stars six and seven distant~~ leaf tip below right side of AMERICA STATES
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: 60
DESCRIP: Even light tan ~~color~~ on both sides, with ample mint luster. Three tiny rim marks, one by each of the three upper stars are about the only signs of contact. Minor mottling in the reverse color, more even on the obverse. A very choice coin and an excellent example of this scarce variety, with the famous "Accessory E" reverse die.
DIE STATE: Struck from the same reverse die as the 1831 ~~Cohen-1~~ originals, ~~the engraver accidently punched the bottom serif of E just below the wreath under E2. A glass reveals another serif mark (from the same E) in the middle of the field above AC. The reverse die has a shatter crack from the rim to AT at top.~~ [illegible] the describing the 1831
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-656
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

by Raymonde Sale 1977

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. ~~About Uncirculated 58.~~ Another
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 65
DESCRIP: Choice tan surfaces on both the obverse and reverse, with most of the luster present. Free of contact marks on the obverse, two on the reverse rim above UH. The obverse has some mottling in the color with red spots in the left field and above the cap. Also, the reverse has a very shallow spot above N2, T2 and between S O. Another beautiful example of this popular variety, ~~and certain to attract the attention it deserves.~~

United States 65

DIE_STATE: The reverse die has now cracked from the rim to A1, out the right side of A1 through the wreath into the field above A6.

PEDIGREE: Ex NP Austin Dec 1973
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-657
SORT_SEG:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Julian Rivin called these bablit

MS

QED

FILE: cohen RECORD NO: 35

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. ~~Above Uncirculated~~ 55. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ MS
GRADE_NO: 55 66
DESCRIP: Medium tan and superb for the grade. Hints of blue toning near the devices, mostly on the reverse. A bit dull on Liberty's chin to warrant a higher grade. Free of marks on the obverse, one tiny tap below U and a lint mark extends both sides at the top of O. Another magnificent example of this ~~scarce~~ variety.
DIE_STATE: The crack extends from the rim through the right leg of A1 to the wreath.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-658
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Mint State 66

Uncommon

COHEN RECORD NO. 337

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 45. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 45
DESCRIP: Deep red to brown on both sides with only minute contact marks visible. Well struck and pleasing.
DIE_STATE: The reverse crack extends from the rim through the right side of A1 to the wreath.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-659
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Lot # Page 12 Seq 3.6

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 30. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 30
DESCRIP: Plated obverse and reverse in the first edition of Roger's book, ~~this moderate grade coin should provide an excellent memento for a true collector who knew Roger.~~ Steel gray and brown color.
DIE_STATE: Light crack from the rim to A1 at top.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-660
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Post May Sale

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO. 339

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. ~~Above Uncirculated 55. Star, rim and seven distant upper leaf tip below E~~ Mint State E of STATES
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ Mint State
GRADE_NO: ~~55~~
DESCRIP: Light tan with ample mint red remaining to dazzle ~~the eye.~~ One tiny mark on Liberty's chin identifies this coin, and spot between NA traces this reverse. This variety is tough to find with any mint red, ~~so be prepared with a strong bid if you want to capture this prize.~~
DIE_STATE: One faint crack from the rim to the lower left serif of E2, not extending to the wreath yet. The following letters show recutting on the reverse: N1, E2, and A2.
PEDIGREE: From Lester Merkin's Sale, February 1971, Lot 506
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-661
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

E. W. K. & Raymond Feb. 19, 1979

I also Rated graded this one MS 65

R&C listed the Merkin coin. I didn't know where it came, but this one is from W.K.R.

COHEN RECORD NO: 340

Lot 356

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: Dark brown color with a raised spot on Liberty's cheek, another dark spot on her jaw. On the reverse, two small marks reside in the field below F2.
DIE_STATE: Later die state, the crack from the rim to E2 at the lower serif now extends down to the wreath below.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-662
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Sept 1973

DENOM: Half Cent
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~SPARKLING~~ 1832 COHEN-3
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity 7. Mint State 63. ~~Stars six and seven distant~~; D, S2 and A2 repunched.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Glossy brown with sparkling luster on both sides. Only a hint of original mint color, but toned just enough to note the passage of time. Free of contact marks and only a small toning below the stem on the rim. Struck from rusted dies.
DIE_STATE: The engraver had trouble locating some letters on the reverse legend, sharply double cutting the D, S2 and A2. Most seen have the rust on the reverse die from the base below the ribbon up to H.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Joe Flynn, earlier Philip Showers~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-663
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Mark Raymond July 1974

FILE: COHEN, PIECE NO. 342

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1832
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-3. Rarity-1. Mint State 60. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Medium brown with a couple of small raised spots, one on the outer point of star four, the 2 and on the reverse by T2, M and N2. A shallow planchet lamination is located within the wreath above HA. Choice surfaces otherwise and worth a strong bid.
DIE_STATE: Struck from a rusted reverse die.
PEDIGREE: Ex Philip Showers
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-664
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

July 1977

LE: COHEN RECORD NO. 343

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: LOVELY 1833 IN MINT STATE
DATE: 1833
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 63. ~~Distinct stars two and three distant, upper leaf below left serif of S2~~ Unique variety of the year
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Subdued mint red on both sides combines with light tan color to produce a magnificent example of this hoard coin. Identifiable by a minute mark between star six and Liberty's forehead and on the reverse by a minor planchet flaw between IT. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book <HI>American Half Cents.<H> The Guttag Brothers dispersed a Mint State hoard during the 1930's at the sale price of a quarter each. Any takers today?
DIE_STATE: Light obverse die crack from stars two through seven. Struck from clashed dies on both sides.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-665
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Ray Hudak September 1972

COINS RECORD NO. 34

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1833
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity: 1. ~~About Uncirculated 55.~~ Another.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ Mint State MS
GRADE_NO: ~~55~~
DESCRIP: ~~Probably cleaned and retoned with~~ deep blue and brown color on both sides. One spot above the back of Liberty's head, and the entire reverse has scattered verdigris. Well struck and pleasing.
DIE_STATE: The obverse crack is nearly invisible between stars two and four, more visible above. Strangely, the crack is very heavy between stars five and six. Single (but strong) clash marks on the reverse, none on the obverse.

This coin is a proof-like uncirculated example that Regan considered to be a proof. We do not. The coin is deep blue and brown on both sides with a mirror-like surface. There is a spot at the top of Liberty's head and a mass lot of light hairline scratches and dirt on the obverse and the reverse.

PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: 1
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-665
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Virgil Brand - New Netherlands - Unk Raymond - Ray Munde - RSC-9/72

RSC considered this one a Proof

DIE COLLECTION RECORD NO. 545

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: RARE LATE DIE STATE OF 1833
DATE: 1833
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Dark brown and glossy. The outline of the entire wreath is visible in the fields surrounding Liberty, and likewise, the outline of Liberty is strongly clashed around the wreath. A rare die state of 1833 and worthy of a top-notch collection. Identifiable by a small lamination above E3 on the reverse and some spots near star seven on the obverse. Plated in Rogers second edition
DIE_STATE: Heavy clash marks on both sides.
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Paul Hanson~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-667
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Barry Rey of Baltimore in April 1972

TILE CENT, PROOF NO. 346

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE 1834 BRILLIANT PROOF

DATE: 1834

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: ~~Gobfolds Original 9~~ Rarity 6 as a Proof. Brilliant Proof 60 (Original). ~~Plain 1 & a touch light upper tip of leaf below edge of 0E. 5.45 grams~~ U.S.P. Variety of the Year

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Beautiful olive brown with a hint or two of faded mint color near the devices of the obverse and reverse. Identifiable by a tiny spot on the upper left of 4, another right of T2 on the reverse. Lightly hairlined from a gentle wiping, but these are not distracting and can only be seen under strong lighting. ~~A well made Proof, as the mint was very careful about producing the few coins needed for signature, in fact, this 1834 Half Cent has some most famous owners: the King of Siam and Dan Brown. 1834 Pfff only sell for a fraction of what they are worth.~~

DIE_STATE: Early die state with no cracks or clash marks.

PEDIGREE: From our Moreira Sale Part 3, January 1989, Lot 3068

PHOTO: Y

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE: E

OWNER_NO: 2-699

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

COIN RECORD NO. 347

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1834
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60+. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Faded mint red and quite beautiful. For rarely is this date found with such extensive mint color, most survivors fully brown. Free of nearly all signs of contact save for a minor mark below T4. Minor flyspecks on the obverse.
DIE_STATE: No clash marks.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-668
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

State 7 Red

September 1972

COIN: REPORT NO. 34

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: SPECTACULAR 1835 WITH NEARLY FULL BLAZING RED
DATE: 1835
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State ~~65. Small digits in date, evenly spaced~~; ST distant.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~65~~
DESCRIP: Nearly full blazing red on the obverse, red and brown on the reverse. Well struck and a beautiful coin that is nearly free of marks. ~~Perfect for the date or variety collector who desires one of these common-based coins.~~

90% Red

DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies with Liberty's outline on the inside of the wreath and hints of the wreath around Liberty's face.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W. K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-669
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE COHEN RECORD NO. 349

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1835
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another-
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Original mint red faded to a light brown throughout. A dark spot resides beneath Liberty's bust, another near her neck. Although a large hoard passed through the hands of Elmer Sears during 1935, coins of this quality are still scrace.

% Red

DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies, both obverse and reverse.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:

Previous Pedigree Unknown

EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-670
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

US COINS RECORD NO. 350 Lot 346

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1835
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 50.~~ Another.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ MS
GRADE_NO: ~~50~~ 60
DESCRIP: Plated in both editions of Roger's book, obverse and reverse. Deep brown color on both sides, with clean surfaces. One tiny neck nick, and a rim mark on the reverse between RI serves as identification. ~~Only a hint of wear.~~
DIE_STATE: Struck from clashed dies, with multiple marks on both sides.
PEDIGREE: Previous Pedigree Unknown
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-671
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Mint State 60

COIN ITEM ID: 35

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1835
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. ~~Small digits in date, heavily spaced~~; ST close at top.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Creamy luster in the fields with a beautiful blue tone about the devices. In fact, a few stars have faded mint red glowing around them. One spot between stars twelve and thirteen and a small planchet flaw from the fifth star to curl. On the reverse, one small spot is located below H. These minor flaws identify this as the plate coin from Roger's second edition, and a delightful coin it is.
DIE_STATE: Only one crack on the reverse through the tops of MERICA to the field below the left ribbon end. No clash marks.
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Ray Br Hardy~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-672
SORT_SEQ:
ASSTGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Roger considered this one to be a proof, we disagree.

W. K. Raymond October 1977

FILE: CENTER, RECORD NO. 55

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1835
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2, Rarity 1, Extremely Fine 45 Another-
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40 45
DESCRIP: Choice brown color and pleasing surfaces. A glass reveals trivial handling marks, none readily apparent to the unaided eye.
DIE_STATE: Middle die state, the arcing reverse crack has appeared from the rim right of D, the wreath, HA, wreath and right side of O. The first crack through MERICA to below the right ribbon end is present and clash marks are faint, but visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-676
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LIBERTY RECORD NO. 333

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1835
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-2. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: This is the plate coin from Roger's first edition. It is also a very late reverse die state. The obverse is a mottled brown with lighter areas surrounding the bust, which may imply cleaning. A tiny mark on Liberty's neck and a small rim mark between OF serve to identify.
DIE_STATE: the arcing crack from near D to O is heavy now, the crack through the tops of MERICA to the left ribbon end has not changed: still light. A new crack from the rim through R to the wreath has appeared. Heavy clash marks, both sides.
PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 199
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-673
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1837
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Half Cent Token. Low-49. Very Fine 20.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Medium brown and probably cleaned long ago. One spot above the 3, others on the reverse on and above the F of OF. Actually a token struck during the panic of 1837, when most coinage disappeared from circulation as the United States economy sunk into a terrible business depression. As is often the case, ingenious Americans will take matters into their own hands when government fails to fulfill its mandated obligations. Regular coinage was eagerly hoarded by consumers, and businessmen resorted to all sorts of tokens in order to make change. Otherwise business would have been reduced to barter. Included in the <H1>Guidebook<H> and always popular as the only available Half Cent token (most tokens were Large Cent size and weight).
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde Sept 28th - 1972
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-715
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN'LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

COIN RECORD NO: 35[illegible]

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: RARE "ORIGINAL" 1836 PROOF HALF CENT

DATE: 1836

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Brilliant Proof 60. "Original". Eckfeldt Original-12. Rarity 6. First star close to bust; large berries. ~~5.58~~ grams. 86[illegible]

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: 60

DESCRIP: Dark brown toning in the obverse fields combines with the frosty Liberty to produce an excellent cameo contrast. The reverse is also toned, but the wreath and parts of the fields ~~retain a~~ on fiery red ~~color~~. Identifiable by a ~~staple scratch~~ ~~very fine~~ spot between the 6 and the lowest curl, from Liberty's mouth extending up the curl behind ~~her eye, the back down to her jaw. On the reverse, a small planchet flake resides above the left upper serif of T2.~~ Normal hairlines for the grade, but with ample eye appeal to bring a premium. ~~Roger Cohen categorized Proof Half Cents by die variety and by the chief coiner of the Mint under whose stewardship they were struck. These varieties are detailed in the second edition of American Half Cents, which was printed in 1982.~~ For this 1836, about 30 are known today of this initial production (originals).

DIE_STATE: ~~Chief coiner Adam Eckfeldt continued the tradition of striking brilliant Proof examples of coinage for dignitaries and other parties who expressed interest. Only a handful were produced, some years more than others, as demand dictated. Later, as interest grew, [illegible] these early Brilliant Proofs [illegible] dies and struck off a few [illegible].~~

PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries Mail Bid Sale, November 1985, Lot 1561

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-700 By Stack's Gardner Feb. 1965 Lot 1112

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

FILE COPY, RECORD NO. 257

DENOM:

TYPE:

FEATURES: LOVELY 1840 PROOF "ORIGINAL"

DATE: 1840

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Pogue Original~~ 1. Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof ~~for~~ Red and Brown. File marks below first star; eleven large berries, except for a tiny one inside wreath near H. Reeded edge, crushed in a plain collar. 5.38 grams.

GRADE_QUAL: BP

GRADE_NO: ~~63~~

DESCRIP: A lovely Brilliant Proof, nearly full red in color, with just a whisper of brown forming on the upper devices. The obverse is truly beautiful, but the reverse has some hairlines in the fields. Identifiable by a short lint mark down from the front corner of Liberty's eye, another on her chin and lastly a vertical one on her neck. Well struck, as is one would expect from a Brilliant Proof, ~~and worthy of a top notch collection. One of the more alluring coins in the Pogue collection.~~

DIE STATE: ~~Dot below left side of the ribbon, [illegible] the ribbon above the wreath at the [illegible]~~

PEDIGREE: From Coin Galleries, NGS, November 1985, Lot 1463

PHOTO: Y

COLOR: Y

EMPHASIZE: L

OWNER_NO: 2-701

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE:

Please put 70 Red

Eo Cooper RECORD No. 555

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: DESIRABLE 1840 SECOND RESTRIKE
DATE: 1840
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Second restrike" ~~Proof restrike~~ Brilliant Proof 60. Rarity 7. ~~File marks below first star~~; small berries, file marks above RICA. 6.30 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned to a medium brown, evenly dispersed on both sides. Moderate hairlines in the fields, as is common to most of these early Brilliant Proof issues. Identifiable by a shallow staple mark from the chin to the third star and a spot on the broad rim just above star twelve. Part of the knife rim on the obverse has been filed down. One of only a dozen or so known in all grades of this die pairing, and difficult to find at all, much less finer.
DIE_STATE: Of the dozen or so known, all appear to be in the same die state.
PEDIGREE: From Stack's store stock
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-702
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

[illegible] Return to [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: 1841 "ORIGINAL" BRILLIANT PROOF
DATE: 1841
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Proof original~~ Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof 60. ~~Small date numbers~~ large berries. 5.37 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Olive brown with considerable original red on both sides. Well struck at the centers, although some of the dentils below the date show trivial weakness. The obverse has some tiny specks, but none of the usual annoying spots that early copper is so prone to have. Identifiable by a tiny mark below and left of star eleven on the obverse and a short lintmark on the reverse below A2. Today, about 30 pieces are known of this die pairing, and this is one of the most beautiful.

87.87

No Red

DIE_STATE: ~~Late die state~~ with the obverse crack extending from the rim near star two, through stars three to six and out the rim above star seven. ~~Approximately [illegible] are seldom struck up on a thin collar, which combined the spacing.~~ A glass reveals evidence of the spacing.

the usually seen die state

very faint recut on the edge, separate [illegible] proof for spacing

[illegible] time recutting but rare is commonly.

PEDIGREE: From our Mocerie Sale, January 1989, Lot 3073, earlier the Philip Showers collection
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-203
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TYPE: coin, RECORD NO: 366 Lot 355

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1842
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Rarity 6~~ Rarity 6. Very Fine 25. ~~Small digits in date;~~ large berries, 5.17 grams
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Light brown with darker areas, but the entire coin has been silvered. Most of the silvering remains near the devices and is more prominant on the reverse than the obverse. Roger noted on the flip that this coin was "an ~~escape~~ to circulation". ~~Other are known with circulation wear, making this a difficult date to find in Brilliant Uncirculated or affordable example of this rarity.~~
DIE_STATE: ~~Early reverse die state, before it was ground down resulting in the reduction on the upper left ribbon.~~
PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 200
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: Z-704
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

escapee

The two other circulated examples known to us are the Dorwin and Cardozo specimens, both of which are better than either of the other escapees

DENOM: 1843
TYPE:
FEATURES: ENTICING 1841 BRILLIANT PROOF ORIGINAL
DATE: ~~1841~~ 1843
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" Pease original b. Rarity-6. Brilliant Proof 55. Small digits in date, file marks between second and third stars; large berries. 5.62 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 55 8364
DESCRIP: The obverse and reverse are dull and clouded from an ancient cleaning and with a few too many handling marks. Medium brown with hints of blue in the fields. While the number known is still uncertain, it appears that fewer than 20 could be rounded up given a couple of generations and unlimited funds. Identifiable by a spot on the broad rim above D and a sharp pin prick below A4 at the central reverse. Sold auction.
DIE_STATE: Light knife rims as seen on these early originals, and with the file marks visible on the obverse dentils near the second and twelfth stars. On the reverse, the recutting at the base of the 8 is clear. After the dies were polished, the file marks and recutting are weaker.
PEDIGREE: From our Wyatt Sale, September 1985, Lot 201.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: C
OWNER_NO: 2-705
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN; RECORD NO: 306

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1844
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Pedigreed original~~ 5. Rarity 6. Very Fine 20. ~~Cost 4 times left large burrs. 5.30 grams.~~ The 1st early issue.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20
DESCRIP: Even chocolate brown ~~color~~ on both sides. Another rare Proof-only issue which escaped into circulation for a time. Identifiable by marks on and near Liberty's chin, left of the 1 of date and horizontal pinscratches on the central reverse. Nice color and surfaces otherwise, ~~and one which would fit nicely in a high grade circulated collection.~~
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Sale, February 1982, Lot 375
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-706
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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FILE COPY, RECORD NO. 55

DENOM: Excessively Rare
TYPE:
FEATURES: ~~SMARC~~ 1844 "FIRST RESTRIKE"
DATE: 1844
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "First Restrike" ~~Snowden restrike 6~~ Rarity 6, Brilliant Proof 60. ~~Last 4 teens left, right side of 4 recut. 5.37 grams.~~ Doubling of CENT 87.87
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Lovely color and surfaces for the grade, but both sides have some rather dark spotting. The obverse has a spot on the 8, others on and below the date. Similarly, the reverse has a spot on the left side of the ribbon and other smaller ones scattered about. Minor hairlines in the fields, ~~as nearly always seen on Nineteenth Century Proofs. Nevertheless, the color is a light brown with hints of blue in the fields. Again, about 30 exist, today, in various grades, and demand commands them.~~
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Dave Harr, earlier Philip Shovers
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER NO: 2-707
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Lovely light brown with hints of blue on both sides. The surfaces are nearly lovely, but have minor hairlines. Both sides have Proof spots on the one: a spot on 8 and several small spots at the date, and a spot on the left side of the ribbon. Only four are presently known, with one of these in the Flashberg estate. They vary in rarity from the 1836 to 1858 issues. Reflective of the great artistry of Joseph Wright, the 1858 of the Proof only below the 1847 Proof issue.

Philadelphia Mint C.G.
December, 1976 Lot 4037
Auction '81 Lot 505 as part
Original - Dave Barry - R&C

(file: coin) RECORD NO. 364

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHOICE PROOF 1846 "ORIGINAL"
DATE: 1846
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" [redacted] Rarity 6. Brilliant Proof 63.
~~tile marks below date~~ large berries. 5.46 grams
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Well struck with ~~orficies~~ red and brown ~~color~~ and clean surfaces. Struck from clean dies, others appear to have grease or some other foreign matter above CE on the reverse. ~~This example is from the famous Norweb Collection, which was auctioned by Bowers and Merena in 1987. In that sale it is noted that the date punches have a wholly different character than those of earlier or later years. Clearly, the 1846 dies crude in comparison to those other years.~~ This is a delightfully choice coin, free of problems and with incredible color. Probably between 20 and 30 known, few of which can surpass this coin.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, October 1987, Lot 113; earlier J.C. Morgenthau in 1935.

PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-708
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN RECORD NO 365

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1847
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: "Original" ~~Gem, Highest 0.~~ Rarity 6. Very Fine 25. ~~Larger date punches;~~ large berries. 5.44 grams.
GRADE QUAL: VF
GRADE NO: 25
DESCRIP: Actually, this is an impaired Proof, which spent time in circulation. A shallow test mark on the rim between the seventh and eighth stars on the obverse, other marks along the rim as well. Nice iridescent brown color with hints of blue in the fields, especially on the reverse. Although this coin has seen circulation, it would still fit well in a high grade collection. In fact, many of these early proof coins were spent during the mid-19th century, thus ensuring their survival. Although quality for circulated, well-worn in a high grade collection, pleasing to the eye. Again, between twenty and thirty known in all grades.
DIE STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's sale, November 1979, Lot 85.
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: Z-709
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

Stack's Texas A Stack's Number 1169 Lot 85

TITLE: CONTEST RECORD NO: 566

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: ATTRACTIVE 1849 "ORIGINAL" IN PROOF
DATE: 1849
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Proof original 40~~. Rarity 7. Brilliant Proof 60. Small date, large berries. 5.45 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: A lovely example of this "original" Proof issue. It has long been a controversy if these small date Proofs were issued in 1849 or later, perhaps in 1858-59. This coin has the same character and surfaces of the other "originals" from the 1840's, as well as the same reverse die. Well struck throughout, with a high knife rim around most of the obverse. Identifiable by two tiny marks on Liberty's jaw, and a wonderful example of this great rarity. ~~Only a dozen~~ are thought to survive of this die pairing. Less than a dozen
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex William R. T. Smith, earlier Lauder, Stack's Holmes Sale, October 1960, Lot 1344 and Chapman's Lauder Sale, 1924
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-710
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

4th Chapman Albany June 1924 Lot 2.10 – Stack's "Holmes" October 1960 Lot 1344 – Wm Doyle Galleries "Lauder" December 1983 Lot 310 – Wm RT Smith RSC June 1985

FILE COPY RECORD NO. 367

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1849
MINT MK:
GRADE TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Large date. ~~the file lines above NI.~~ 63
GRADE QUAL: MS
GRADE NO: ~~60~~ 63
DESCRIP: Light brown toning on the obverse, with tinges of mint red near the devices. Similarly, the reverse is brown, but very mottled. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse. Well struck on the dentils, stars and all devices. Rarely found with any original red, 1849 Half Cents are scarce in Mint State. ~~Two microscopic pin marks, one above Liberty, another in the left field below her hair bun.~~
DIE STATE: Early die state with the file lines visible above NI.
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray D. Hunda~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER NO: 2-675
SORT SEQ:
ASSIGN LOT:
EST VALUE:
RESERVE:

W. C. Raymond July 1979

Jim Unless there is a defect, Copper w/ Red are graded higher than MS 60. By definition

U.S. COINS RECORD NO. 2-677 68

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1849
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. ~~Very Fine 35~~. Large date. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~VF~~ EF
GRADE_NO: ~~35~~ 40
DESCRIP: Lovely surfaces for the date. Plated, obverse only, in Roger's first edition. Minor planchet irregularities on both sides.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-677
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO. 2-676 569

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1849
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen:1. Rarity 2. Very fine 20 30 Large Date. Another
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: ~~20~~ 30
DESCRIP: Dark chocolate color in the fields with lighter devices. Two heavy punch marks on Liberty's chin and a rim mark above O on the reverse. Curiously, the reverse die is rotated 260<198> clockwise.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson June 1977
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-676
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO. 370

Lot 365

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1850
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State ~~66. lower left serif of 1 near dentils; AT and HI touch at base.~~ Only Variety of the year
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~60~~
DESCRIP: Dark brown and very choice with hints of original red peeking up from the fields. Free of significant handling marks, ~~and worth a strong bid.~~ Well struck, with a knife rim around the upper obverse, and most of the dentils sharp.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: ~~Ex Ray D. Hardy, Central Water Green~~
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-678
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex Jon Hansen Aug 1971

FILE COPY, RECORD NO. 371

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1850
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Extremely Fine ~~60~~ 45. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: ~~60~~ 45
DESCRIP: Medium brown with typical circulation marks, mostly visible with a glass. Some minor raised spots on the reverse, below NIT, and a red area near S OF.
DIE_STATE: Middle die state with some flatening along the reverse dentils, typical of this era.
PEDIGREE: Ex Paul Munson
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-679
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Fine Note

R.S.C. notes show a coin purchased from 1974 from Munson with a small depression between D+S. the next entry is of unknown provenance with a large depression between D+S.

Please change the descriptions of the respective coins.

FILE- cohen, RECORD NO- 37C

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1850
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Very Fine 35. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 35
DESCRIP: Typical color and surfaces for this date.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-680
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1850
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Fine 12 Another 15
GRADE_QUAL: F
GRADE_NO: 15 مستعمل
DESCRIP: Light brown and about average for the grade. Plated, obverse only. In Roger's first edition.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-681
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

CGSN, RECORD NO: 374

DEMON:
TYPE:
FEATURES: FIERY RED 1851
DATE: 1851
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 61. Red. Base serif of 1 recut to right; UN touch at top, RI at base.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~63~~ 67
DESCRIP: A radiant blast of red overwhelms your eye when examined. Only a few trivial fly specks present on the obverse, and a dark toning spot above LF on the reverse. Although common in most grades, full red examples such as this are ~~always scarce and in demand.~~ Plated, obverse and reverse, in Roger's second edition of <MI>American Half Cents.<X> ~~A worthy acquisition for the astute numismatist.~~ One of the finest half dozen of this variety.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde September 9, 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-682
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: COIN, RECORD NO. 175

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1851
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: This coin is an oddity. it is very weakly struck along the upper right obverse and corresponding section of the reverse. The reason appears to be a lightweight planchet, coming in about 15% light. Interesting envelopes included discussing the piece from the Munde collection.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, Walter Breen, Jon Hanson and W.K. Raymond
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-683
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Should the comments be included in the description?

What color is it? According to my notes, it is a choice EF 40.

FILE: cohen RECORD NO: 376

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1851
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 25. Another
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 25
DESCRIP: Average surfaces and color. Identifiable as the plate coin used for the obverse in Roger's first edition from the minor spots near Liberty's profile. Some verdigris on both sides.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-684
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

where is the Rev. plate coin for 1st edition?

FILE COPY- RECORD NO: 37

DENOM:
TYPE: Spectacular
FEATURES: SPARKLING 1852 PROOF FIRST RESTRIKE
DATE: 1852
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "First restrike" ~~Crowden restrike 12.~~ Rarity 5. Brilliant Proof 63. ~~Tiny spine or outer rim above star eight, small~~ ~~berries. 14 doubled on right, the of poet.~~ 5.32 grams.

Small Berries, Doubled Die of CENT

GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Medium brown with lovely iridescent red and brown hues. A few minor specks can be found with a glass, but they do not detract from this magnificent coin. ~~The mint used a single~~ ~~die to produce Brilliant Proofs, and mated it with three~~ ~~different reverse dies to produce various issues for~~ ~~collectors. Curiously, no distinguishable strikes were made~~ ~~in 1852, aside from those after midnight 'off-monkey~~ ~~business'. Brilliant Proofs produced thereafter struck closer~~ ~~to 1860 than 1852. Nearly indescribable, and nearly impossible~~ ~~to find better. One of all, this one includes a wonderful~~ ~~provenance.~~

Interestingly enough, this variety is likely the long-lost original one Roger discovered that Mint Collection has one of this, its collection, and Norweb K. any other year

DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Bowers and Merena's Norweb Sale, October 1987, Lot 129 and earlier from Kosoff's Palace Collection Sale of King Farouk, February 1954, Lot 1700
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: Y
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-711
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Sotheby's "Farouk" February 1954 Lot 1700 - via Mr. Kosoff to Mrs. Norweb - Bowers and Merena "Norweb" October 1987 Lot 129 - RSC

FILE: cohen RECORD NO: 570

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1853
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State ~~60~~ 63. ~~Lump on cheek, T6 slightly recut on left base.~~
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~60~~ 63
DESCRIP: Mostly brown although there is ~~enough~~ some original red in the fields ~~to please the eye.~~ Well struck and lustrous. Identifiable by a pair of field marks close to Liberty's nose and a small spot above the right side of N1. Plated in Roger's second edition, both obverse and reverse. ~~An excellent selection from this massive offering.~~

Other date specimen with any red mixture

DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Late die state with a slanting die file mark from the upper right of T2 down through its post, below base serif just left of center.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-685
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Pedigree By Richard Picker August 1972

Then, what other same could a coin possibly satisfy Lerick vision?

FILE: coler, RECORD NO: 379

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1853
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Very Fine 30. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: VF
GRADE_NO: 20 30
DESCRIP: The surfaces appear to have been harshly cleaned and now retoned. However, the obverse was plated in Roger's first edition. Some verdigris in the devices.
DIE_STATE: Middle die state apparently, although the cleaning makes it difficult to determine.
PEDIGREE:
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-686
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

FILE: cohen RECORD NO. 380 Lt375

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1854
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State ~~60~~ 64. ~~Small date, slanting 5, both A2 and A3 have line connecting the lower serifs.~~
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~60~~ 64
DESCRIP: Choice red and brown color and very pleasing surfaces. A glass will locate a few stray marks, but nothing worthy of note. ~~Free of heavy spotting, and~~ Only minimal specks can be found. ~~Perfect to represent the date.~~
DIE_STATE: Early die state with a trace of the recut 1 left of the lower serif.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray Munde September 1972
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-687
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

This coin shows out one of three but the rust spot on the I of UNITED (probably the same one - RSC bought both from Munde

[illegible] RECORD NO. 383

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1854
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 60. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60 64
DESCRIP: Subdued mint red on both sides and quite pleasing, in fact, this coin is an excellent match for the preceeding in the color department. ~~As Half Cent production dawn to a close, many were saved as the last of their kind, accounting for the number of Mint State coins available today.~~ Nominal handling marks on both the obverse and reverse, and, a ~~curious~~ lint mark above the 4 and another in the right obverse field. Plated in the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE: Later die state than the preceeding, the repunching on 1 no longer visible.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde, earlier W.K. Raymond
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-688
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Ex W.K. Raymond - R.D. Munde [illegible] 1972

FILE: Cohen, RECORD NO. 362

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1855
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 66. ~~Slanting 5's, small date, spur on dentil over post of E3.~~
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 66
DESCRIP: Mostly red with only a few areas turning light tan. As usual, the dentils are weakly struck on the obverse and most of the reverse. Excellent surfaces, which are nearly free of marks, but both sides have numerous tiny spots.
DIE_STATE: Early enough die state to show the recutting on the second 5, but the spur on the dentil over E3 is weak.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: T
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-689
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Seydelman 1972

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO. 383

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1855
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Extremely Fine 40. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: EF
GRADE_NO: 40
DESCRIP: olive brown on both the obverse and reverse. A single red spot above Liberty's head identifies this as the plate coin from Roger's first edition, obverse only.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Benjamin M. Douglas
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-690
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

TITLE: EXTRA RECORD NO. 334

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: CHOICE 1856 JUDD-177 TRIAL PIECE
DATE: 1856
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Judd-177. Rarity 5. Brilliant Proof 60. Copper Nickel. Plain edge. Regular dies. 4.51 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: A beautiful example of this scarce issue, flaming red orange color on both sides. Well struck, although using nickel in the planchet made it very hard, hence some of the dentils and parts of the upper devices are a touch weak. Minor ~~weakness is~~ noted in the devices, mostly discernable with a glass. The planchet is thinner than the regular issue, and lighter weight.
DIE_STATE: These were struck as an experiment by Director Snowden in order to find a better alloy to replace ~~bronze~~, used on Half Cents and Large Cents until this time, and based on these, the adapted alloy was changed in early 1857.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ricky Gross
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-712
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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amounts of dirt are

Copper

THE COIN RECORD NO. 305

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1856
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. Mint State 66. ~~Small date, upright 3,~~ lump on top of 11.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: ~~66~~ 67
DESCRIP: Frosty with vibrant original red! Excellent surfaces with nary a mark to be found. A single dark spot on the lower curl, others of less importance. Red Mint State examples are very tough to find, ~~so be sure to bid accordingly, for this coin would be difficult to replace.~~
DIE_STATE: Heavy rust pit on the upper post of 11, as seen on most.
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-691
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Note:
The coin w. the rust pit #38 5 ~~7~~ 357
was purchased from Ray Munde in Sept, 1972
The coin wo. the rust pit on the I of 1856 was
purchased from

FILE: COIN, RECORD NO. 1366

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1856
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. About Uncirculated 50. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: AU
GRADE_NO: 50
DESCRIP: Cleaned and retoned with an unusual lilac hue in the fields, but not too noticable. Well struck with choice surfaces and devices for the grade.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-692
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

LIBERTY RECORD NO: 55X

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1856
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 1. ~~About Uncirculated 58~~. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: ~~AU~~ MS
GRADE_NO: ~~58~~ 60
DESCRIP: Lovely surfaces and color. Plated in the first edition of Roger's <HI>American Half Cents<H> obverse only. Well struck from lapped dies.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex ~~Benjamin H. Douglas~~
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-693
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Mint of die 60

See Notes on 385

HALF CENT, RECORD NO. 3[illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES: EXCITING 1857 "RESTRIKE" BRILLIANT PROOF
DATE: 1857
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Restrike" ~~Crowded Restrike 1s~~. Rarity 5. Brilliant Proof 63. ~~Shallow engraving on date; it doubled on right post.~~ 7.8/5.82 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Although one of the more "common" Brilliant Proof Half Cents, this coin should still elicit strong bidding for its glowing red color and mark-free surfaces. The engraving on the date is very shallow, hence the numerals appear shallow when compared with the surrounding devices. Identifiable by a spot on the rim between stars four and five. A real blazer!
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: From Stack's Starr Sale, June 1984, Lot 890.
PHOTO: Y
COLOR: T
EMPHASIZE: L
OWNER_NO: 2-713
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

T of Cent doubled

This one has mark-free surfaces and glowing red color. The reverse is darker, which led the catalogue of the Starr sale to write, "Another one-sided proof." It is FBL's opinion that Walter Breen correctly overattributed Early Proofs through the late cent series. The end of the 1857 proofs is the two most glaring exceptions. The 1857 is generally rated as a genuine proof, the one is at least an R5, possibly an R6.

FILE: COINS, RECORD NO. 389

DENOM:
TYPE: Proof Brilliant
FEATURES: RARE AND DESIRABLE 1857 "ORIGINAL" PROOF
DATE: 1857
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: "Original" ~~Brownish original~~ Rarity X. Brilliant Proof 60. Large date, ~~85 very close to outer line on right side of~~ A2. 8.66 grams.
GRADE_QUAL: BP
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Lightly cleaned with resulting hairlines in the fields. Now toned a medium brown with blue hints on both sides. Boldly impressed on all but a couple of obverse dentils above Liberty, the reverse legend is doubled for the most part (visible with a glass). One of the rarest Brilliant Proof issues and certain to command the attention it deserves from knowledgable collectors.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex W. C. Blaisdell, Del N. Bland and W.K. Raymond
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE: B
OWNER_NO: 2-714
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Medium brown with hints of blue on both sides. Probably cleaned at one time or thereon hairlines in the fields. The obverse is boldly impressed except on a couple of dentils above Liberty. The reverse legend doubled. Three of the 1857 are the rarest business strike proofs (from 1856-1857 stocks) proof with dies used for business strike (none known for 1853) Been listed for sale off and on the last 40 years in proof.

1. Blaisdell - Bland - W.K. Raymond - this coin
2. Martin Kort John - sold privately, whereabouts unknown to Bland, Colonel Wilkinson - possibly stock or Kortjohn's customer's stock
3. Stacks - the Missouri collection
1970 - Not a proof
4. Stacks - Hoe stock pick 1956 - possibly #3

[illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1857
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1, Rarity 2, Mint State 63 - Another
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 63
DESCRIP: Choice red and brown and well struck for this final year of issue. The mint had finally given up on the lowly Half Cent, demand continued to falter and the demands of commerce seemed to pass them by. Hence, 1857 draws to a close this era of the <HI>"Little Half Sister"<H>. This is the plate coin from the second edition of Roger's book, both obverse and reverse.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Ray D. Munde September 1972
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-694
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

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DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1857
MINT_MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60+. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Choice red color on the obverse, with only a few spots. The reverse has a large area of planchet roughness extending from the lower rim up to the top of the wreath, now slightly discolored. However, the surrounding fields and legend are awash in fresh mint red. ~~A desirable coin.~~
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Steve Fischer
PHOTO: Y
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-695
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Due to the planchet problem, this coin should be examined closely

COINS, RECORDS [illegible]

DENOM:
TYPE:
FEATURES:
DATE: 1857
MINT MK:
GRADE_TEXT: Cohen 1. Rarity 2. Mint State 60. Another.
GRADE_QUAL: MS
GRADE_NO: 60
DESCRIP: Red and brown color with a few scattered spots. Choice surfaces and pleasing for the grade.
DIE_STATE:
PEDIGREE: Ex Richard Feingold
PHOTO:
COLOR:
EMPHASIZE:
OWNER_NO: 2-697
SORT_SEQ:
ASSIGN_LOT:
EST_VALUE:
RESERVE:

Harwich Red.

should say: This one is
x per cent red fading to brown
with a few scattered spots. Choice
surfaces and a pleasing example.

Any Mint State Half Cent should be
pleasing

COIN: [illegible]

NICE

FEATURES:

DATE: 1857

MINT_MK:

GRADE_TEXT: Cohen-1: Rarity 2. Extremely Fine 40. Another-

GRADE_QUAL: EF

GRADE_NO: 40

DESCRIP: Choice brown color and plated, obverse only, in Roger's first edition.

DIE_STATE:

PEDIGREE: Ex New Netherlands January 1970

PHOTO:

COLOR:

EMPHASIZE:

OWNER_NO: 2-696

SORT_SEQ:

ASSIGN_LOT:

EST_VALUE:

RESERVE: